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TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE EARL
SPENCER, K.G., LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND
GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the "Public Records (Ireland) 30 & 31 Vt
Act, 1867," I have the honor, under the direction of the Right c. 70.
Honorable the Master of the Rolls, to report to your Excellency
the proceedings had in the execution of the Act in the years
1867-8.

2. The Public Records of Ireland being in the keeping of several 30 & 31 Vt
persons, and many of them in unfit buildings, it was deemed ex- c. 70,
pedient to establish one Office and a better Custody, and to allow Preamble.
the free use of the Records as far as might be consistent with
their safety and with the public policy of the Realm; and a large
and commodious Building having been erected here for the pur-
pose of serving as a Public Record Office, the "Public Records
(Ireland) Act, 1867," in this Report hereafter referred to as "the
Act," was passed, and received the royal assent on the 12th
August, 1867.

3. It is, by the fourth section of the Act, provided that all the 30 & 31 Vt
Records which shall be of the age of twenty years from the c. 70, s. 4.
making thereof, of the Courts of Chancery, Queen's Bench, Com-
mon Pleas, Exchequer, Probate and Admiralty Courts, and of the
former Court of Prerogative, and also all the Records, Maps,
Books, and Documents deposited at the Custom-house Buildings,
Dublin, and also all original Wills of which probate should, on the
12th of August, 1867, have been granted in all Courts and Offices
throughout Ireland having testamentary jurisdiction, and all the
Birmingham Tower Plea, Pipe, and other Rolls, and the Parlia-
mentary Records, the Records deposited in the State Paper De-
partment, except those which should not be fifty years of age
from the making thereof, and all other Records (other than those

appertaining to the office of Ulster King at Arms) deposited in the Record Tower, Dublin Castle ; as also all Records and Documents of any Courts, Commissions, or Public Offices which should have ceased to exist, not comprehended under the foregoing denominations, should, from and after the passing of the Act, be under the charge and superintendence of the Master of the Rolls, and should be removed to this Office; provided that until such removal the several persons having the care of them at the passing of the Act should continue to have the charge of them, subject to such orders as the Master of the Rolls is by the Act empowered to make.

Deputy Keeper
appointed.

4. On the 23rd of September, 1867, your Excellency's predecessor was pleased to appoint me to be Deputy Keeper of the Records in Ireland under the Act.

Possession had
of Record
Building.
Appendix I.

5. On the 19th of November, 1867, the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland delivered up to me for the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls the above-mentioned building. It stands at the western extremity of the enclosed space at the re-re of the Four Courts. No other building approaches, or, save by the Board of Works, can be erected within forty feet of any part of it. It is executed in cut granite ; and consists of a convenient Official House in front, adjoining the approach from the quays, and of a very spacious Record Treasury at the re-re. The House forms three sides of a hollow square of four stories, enclosing a central apartment of large dimensions, designed for a Public Reading and Search Room, which is lighted from above by a lower internal roof. The basement is vaulted throughout. Surrounding the central apartment there are eight rooms of minor dimensions on each of the three principal stories, making twenty-five apartments in all, for the transaction of the business of the Office.

Record
Treasury.

6. Externally the Record House and Treasury appear to constitute one block of building of uniform design, but the Treasury, which stands considerably higher than the House, is separated from it by an open area ten feet wide, across which is thrown a covered bridge closed by iron doors at each end, forming the principal means of communication between the two edifices. It is heated by warm water pipes from furnaces in the basement of the Record House, and may be considered effectually isolated as regards any risk of fire from the official part of the Building. Internally it consists of a basement story and of the principal Hall, rising to the full height of the building from the ground floor. The basement is vaulted and divided by partitions into a central corridor, with ten lateral bays on each side. Each of these bays forms an arched apartment twenty-nine feet long, twelve feet wide, and nine feet high. An iron door on the lower level (being the only other aperture in the end next the Record House besides the principal entrance) leads from the intervening area into this part of the Treasury, but is only opened on particular occasions, the access for general purposes being by an internal descent from the Hall above. The Hall or upper part of the Treasury, which is designed to be the principal Record Repository, constitutes a single

isolated from
risk of Fire.

Treasury Base-
ment; twenty
Bays.

Treasury Hall;
20 Bays.

apartment 140 feet long, eighty feet wide, and fifty feet high. It is divided by iron lattice-work partitions into ten vertical sections of fourteen feet in width by thirty feet in depth, on each side. Each of these sections consists of six stories, eight feet high, lighted by what may be regarded as a single window of the full height of the building. An open area or nave, twenty feet in width and lighted by a glass roof, gives access to the bays on each side by a central stair communicating with the several floors by five tiers of galleries. In the original design of the building it is contemplated that each of these principal divisions should be subdivided vertically by a secondary lattice partition, so as to diminish the span of the flooring joists, and afford support to a central block of shelving in addition to the lines of shelving along the sides of the principal partitions in each bay. These joists are of iron, and support perforated iron floors, through which light is admitted from above. Each bay is closed at the end towards the gallery by an iron grating with grated doors, through which light is also admitted from the central area. On the delivery of the building the original design of construction had been carried out through six principal sections on each side, constituting seventy-two bays, which were fitted up for the reception of Records. The fittings consist of iron standards attached to the flooring-joists, with adjustments for supporting and varying the height of the shelving. The shelving is of wood, being the only inflammable material employed in the structure. It is arranged in five tiers, giving 190 spaces or divisions of thirty-two inches wide between standard and standard in each bay, or 14,680 such receptacles in the completed portion of the work.

Detail of construction.

Carried out through seventy-two Bays.

Wooden Shelving.

7. The whole of the Record Treasury in this state of completion was at once available. But the old Rolls Record Room having been allocated for the recently established Court and Offices of the Vice-Chancellor, and there being no other convenient place presently available, the Master of the Rolls directed that a portion of the Record House, consisting of the Public Room and apartments in the western wing, should be permitted to be temporarily used for the Court and Offices of the Vice-Chancellor, pending the removal of the Records from the old Rolls Record Room, and the necessary alterations in that building. In order to render this provisional arrangement as brief as possible, it was desirable that the transfer of the Records should be commenced with the Rolls collection, and my first care was to make arrangements by which the staff of the department, when appointed, should be enabled to proceed without delay in that operation. For this purpose, and with a view to systematize operations generally, there were prepared—

Exclusion from use of part of Record House

until new Court, &c. constructed in old Rolls Record Room.

1st. A printed *Précis* of the contents of the several Record Repositories. Appendix II

2nd. Sets of lithographed elevations of the shelving along the sides and centre block of one bay of the Record Treasury. Appendix II

3rd. Drawings of the elevations of the several classes of presses in the Rolls Record Room.

4th. Sets of numbers to be affixed to the presses.

Appendix IV. 5th. Printed Transfer Books containing columns for the places of the Records by reference to press and shelf in their then repositories; their descriptions, dimensions, and destinations in the Record Treasury.

Appendix V. 6th. Sets of Delivery Sheets, corresponding to the Transfer Books, to accompany the Records on their removal, as checks on their delivery; and when bound in Guard Books to serve as rough Indexes to the contents of each bay.

8. On the 17th of December, 1867, I received from William H. Hardinge, Esq., late Keeper of the Records of the Landed Estates Record Office, the keys of the collection of Records deposited at the Custom House. Eight volumes of Indexes and Repertories were claimed by Mr. Hardinge as private property, and an application was made by him to the Master of the Rolls to recommend their purchase by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, under the 23rd section of the Act. His Honor, after considering the claim, has not thought fit so to recommend; and the volumes remain in the Office. Pending the removal of the collection the business of the Custom House Branch has been carried on by Mr. Day, under the former practice and scale of Fees, a table of which will be found in the Appendix.

Fire of 20th December, 1867. 9. On the 20th December, 1867, a fire took place in the office of one of the Taxing Masters of the Court of Chancery, which extended to the Record Repositories of the Right Hon. Edward Litton, one of the Masters in Ordinary of that Court, and was not extinguished until the greater portion of the documents in that office was thrown into confusion and a considerable part of them damaged and destroyed. With the assistance of the servants of the Board of Works, the Records saved from this accident were transferred to the basement of the Record Treasury and placed on temporary racks to dry.

Injured Records removed. Establishment for Department. 10. The Establishment for the Department which had for some time been under the consideration of the Lords of the Treasury, was settled in December, 1867, as follows:—

One Deputy Keeper.
 One Assistant Deputy Keeper.
 One Secretary.
 Two First Class Clerks.
 Two Second Class Clerks.
 Four Third Class Clerks.
 One Office Keeper and Messenger.
 One Foreman.
 Four Workmen.

Appendix VII. Instructions as to the duties to be performed were prepared by the Master of the Rolls, and printed for the use of the Officers, which will be found in the Appendix.

Senior Official staff constituted. 11. On the 1st January, 1868, the senior official staff of the Department was constituted by the following appointments:—

Assistant Deputy Keeper.

JOHN JAMES D. LA TOUCHE, Esq., A.M., M.R.I.A. (of late Office of Deputy Keeper of the Rolls).

Secretary.

JOHN T. GILBERT, Esq., F.S.A., M.R.I.A. (Librarian of the Royal Irish Academy, Professor of History and Archæology, Royal Hibernian Academy).

First Class Clerks.

ROBERT GODFREY DAY, Esq. (of the late Landed Estates Record Office).

WILLIAM M. HENNESSY, Esq., M.R.I.A. (of the Office of Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums).

Second Class Clerks.

J. O. OVEREND, Esq. (Clerk in Court of Exchequer).

J. LODDELL, Esq. (Clerk in Court of Common Pleas).

12. The Record Tower Branch (Dublin Castle) had previously been constituted by the appointment of—

Staff of Record
Tower Branch

Sir JOHN BERNARD BURKE, Keeper of the State Papers (12th August, 1867).

G. F. BARRY, Esq., Second Class Clerk (27th November, 1867).

J. J. MAGINN, Esq., Third Class Clerk (27th November, 1867).

13. The continued occupation of part of the Record House for the purposes of the Vice-Chancellor's Court has hitherto prevented the removal of the Custom House collection, and it has been found necessary to place one of the Second Class Clerks, as assistant, with Mr. Day; so that, as yet, the effective Staff of the Department has not been fully available for the discharge of the duties pertaining to the Public Record Office here.

Full effective
Staff not yet
available at
Record Office.

14. In consequence of the fire of the 20th December, and the commencement made in the removal of the Records of Master Litton, it was found expedient that the other Record Repositories, as well of Master Brooke as of Master Litton, should be emptied of their contents before proceeding with any other operation. The contents of these Repositories consisted, to a large extent, of Deed-boxes deposited by Suitors during the progress of causes. There were no indexes to the collections, nor any systematic arrangement of the boxes. In order to insure their being accessible in their new destination, a special set of printed Delivery Sheets were prepared, and directions drawn up for a mode of indexing and numbering, the result of which was that each box, before leaving its place of deposit, received a destination in the Record Treasury which insured its being placed there in alphabetical order. The boxes have been placed on racks in the basement, and copies of the Indexes formed from the Delivery Sheets have been deposited with the respective Masters.

Removal of
collections of
Masters in
Chancery.

Deed-boxes.

App. VIII.

Appendix IX.

15. By the warrants authorizing the removal of these collections, the Master of the Rolls provided for the retainer and recall by the Masters of such of the Records, Boxes, &c., as might be necessary for the transaction of the current business of their offices. To carry out these provisions, and insure a record of the custody of each box or document so recalled, printed forms, called Recall and Retainer Dockets, have been prepared, by the use of

App. X., XI.

Appendix XII

XIII.

which each department can at all times inform itself of the custody of any box or record. Of these boxes there were brought from the Record Rooms of Master Brooke 261; and from the Record Rooms of Master Litton 358.

Collection of
Usher of Court
of Chancery.

16. Among the boxes brought from the Repositories of Master Litton, was one of large size in which had been contained the various Title-deeds and other instruments formerly in the custody of the Usher of the Court of Chancery. A list of the collection as it existed in 1812 is found at p. 90 of the First Report of the Record Commissioners for Ireland, by which it appears that, at that time, it comprised documents in 347 causes and matters, besides those included in an earlier schedule not now forthcoming.

The box in which it had been deposited being of weak construction, had become broken, and the contents of most of the bundles intermixed, so that the deposits in 276 causes and matters only could be identified. An Index has been formed to the collection under such titles as could be collected from the unbroken parcels, and under the names of the parties in the intermixed deeds, and the collection has been deposited in drawers specially prepared for it. It contains a considerable number of ancient deeds, and some instruments in Irish.

16 Jan., 1868.

17. Mr. Reilly, Clerk of the Records and Writs, having handed me the keys of the Rolls Collection, the Index Books of that office, and of the Equity Exchequer Records, were transferred to an apartment in the eastern wing of the Record House, temporarily fitted up as a Search Room; and the requisite forms of Bespeak Book, Search Docket, and Guard Book having been prepared, and an official Seal procured, the first Fee for a certified copy Record was received on the 26th February, 1868.

18 Feb., 1868.

Temporary
Search Room.

App. XIV.

18. The Table of Fees authorized by the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls, and approved of by the Lords of the Treasury, will be found in the Appendix.

Search Depart-
ment.

19. The Search Department has since been conducted by Mr. La Touche, assisted by Mr. Hennessy.

Official Staff
completed.

20. On the 27th March, 1868, the official staff of the department was completed by the appointment of the following gentlemen as junior clerks, who passed a competitive examination by the Civil Service Commissioners:—

JAMES MILLS, Esq.
HENRY F. BERRY, Esq.
MICHAEL MOLONEY, Esq.
THOMAS M'GHEE, Esq.

Working Staff
completed.

The working part of the establishment (apart from the office of office-keeper and messenger), which had been partly filled up by previous appointments, was completed on the 6th of April, 1868. It consists of—

Mr. RICHARD TUCKER, Foreman Searcher, Cleaner, and Binder.
Mr. JAMES C. NEIL, Ex-Corporal, R.E.
Mr. WM. THOMPSON, Ex-Sapper, R.E.
Mr. ROBERT DOW, Ex-Sapper, R.E.
Mr. MICHAEL TUNNY, Ex-Sapper, R.E.

21. The first duties undertaken by the full working staff of the establishment were the sorting and placing in their final repositories of the collections of Masters Brooke and Litton. That portion of the Records from the office of Master Litton saved from the fire, being still too damp for much handling, the final arrangement of those of Master Brooke was first proceeded with. Several modes of arrangement having been observed at different times in this collection, it was deemed more conducive to facility of reference to distribute it into causes, collecting all the Papers and Documents of each cause and matter into one bundle or piece, and giving to each piece a distinct place in dictionary order. The collection has been indexed, and is now deposited in Bay B. It includes the Papers and Documents (save those retained under the proviso in the warrant) in the several causes and matters which had been referred to Masters Brooke, Ball, Westby, Vesey, and their predecessors.

Arrangement
and Deposit
of Collection of
Master Brooke.

22. During these operations the question of the removal of the Rolls Collection had given rise to much anxious consideration. The fittings which had been provided were such as could readily be adapted to the reception of most other classes of Records, but the Rolls Collection contained a very large quantity of Records of exceptional size, kept in a peculiar manner, and, although sufficiently easy of access, while not disturbed from their existing Repositories, yet difficult of removal, and not possible to be kept in their existing condition on open shelves. These are the Pleadings in Chancery, consisting of large sheets of parchment, which were laid loosely in flat heaps in the shelves of presses, where the backs and sides of the shelves and doors of the presses kept them in their places, and enabled the Searcher to find any Pleading that might be wanted without disturbing the arrangement of the others. The shelves prepared in the new Treasury were open at back, sides, and front; and, owing to the attachment of the iron standards that support them to the flooring joists, are of a uniform width of ope which cannot be varied. The parchments in general extended to such a length as would not fit without contact with the iron of the receptacles, and it was apparent that, when the shelves should be filled, the obstruction of light by the central block would make it extremely difficult to conduct the searches in the usual manner. In the mode itself of making searches, as heretofore practised in the Rolls Office, there were considerable inconveniences. Space was lost by the necessity of leaving room at top of each heap to allow of the upper part being lifted up when a document lower down had to be withdrawn or replaced. Occasionally, the entire heap, weighing in some cases four stones and upwards, had to be taken out at each operation. Of the injurious consequences to the Records themselves, I satisfied myself by personal examination.

Rolls Collec-
tion.

Difficulty of
dealing with
the Pleadings.

Nature of the
new Fitting.

Former Mode
of Searching.

23. The remedy for these inconveniences appeared to consist in some new arrangement by which the Pleadings should be confined in parcels of a manageable size, capable of being lifted from the shelves, or otherwise brought to the light. But there were many

Modifications
suggested in
Fittings,

difficulties in adjusting the existing fittings to any arrangement of this kind; and there being a necessity under any circumstances for completing the unfinished work at the eastern side of the Hall, so far at least as to stay it up where some of the girders carrying the floors had yielded outwards, it was considered better to look to entirely new fittings for this particular class of Records than to attempt their permanent deposit in the existing receptacles.

and in internal
construction of
Bays.

24. In carrying out such a design it appeared that a modification of the internal arrangements of the bays might be adopted, which, by doubling the depth of the receptacles at each side, might afford equal room for the deposit of Records, and at the same time dispense with the secondary lattice partition and central block of shelving in each bay. There also appeared a prospect of greatly reducing the quantity of wood to be employed, by adopting a system in which each heap of Pleadings might be arranged on a skeleton tray or frame made to slide on light galvanized iron supports, at such vertical distances from one another as would greatly economize the average space required for their reception.

Appendix XV.

25. The principle on which it was proposed to make these modified arrangements having been approved of by the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls, I, on the 22nd of November, 1867, addressed to His Honor a letter, in which I submitted the expediency of applying to the Commissioners of Public Works to proceed with the internal fittings of the Record Treasury with such modifications as might be approved of by their Architect, and the Deputy Keeper. The Master of the Rolls having communicated on the subject with the Lords of the Treasury, the Commissioners of Public Works, in February, 1868, received the necessary authority to proceed with the completion of the north-eastern sections.

Experimental
Fittings.

26. Before entering on so large an undertaking, it was deemed desirable that one bay should be fitted up experimentally, so far as to test the suitability of the new adjustments; and the services of competent workmen and a sufficient quantity of material were placed at my disposal, under the supervision of the Architect. In the process of erecting these provisional fittings, some of the difficulties incident to the first design were overcome, and it was ascertained that, by the employment of certain adjustments, provision could be made for varying the dimensions of the receptacles, as well laterally, and from back to front, as vertically.

Control ac-
quired over the
Dimensions of
the Receptacles

Material for
Fittings of four
Sections on
east side of
Hall ordered.

Necessity for
removal of
Rolls Collec-
tion.

27. The Architect being satisfied that the new fittings would not only secure the stability of the structure, but afford improved accommodation for the Parchment Pleadings, orders were given early in the spring for the necessary supplies of iron; but unexpected delays in furnishing these materials having occurred, it became apparent in the month of May that either the Rolls Collection should be removed into the existing fittings, however unsuitable, or that the Vice-Chancellor's Court and offices should continue at the Record House for such a length of time as would probably be attended with much inconvenience. The former

alternative being determined on, I thought it necessary, before proceeding with an operation which would not be a final or satisfactory one, to address a letter to the Master of the Rolls, setting forth the inconveniences inseparable from a deposit of the Chancery Pleadings in the existing fittings, and desiring an assurance that the transfer should be regarded only as a temporary arrangement pending the construction of the new fittings specially designed for them. Appendix XVI.

28. In reply to a communication from the Master of the Rolls, the Lords of the Treasury, on the 13th of May, 1868, signified their approval of that proposal, and steps were at once taken to prepare the Rolls Collection for transfer. In order that this operation might be conducted with greater regularity, and the progress of the work be better checked, lithographed Plans of the several floors of the Rolls Record Room indicating the contents, and marked with the numbers of the several presses, were prepared; and, presses being told off in sections, a Transfer Book for each section was placed in the hands of one of the officers of the Department, attended by two workmen, whose duty it was to separate the heaps into parcels of definite thickness, each of which, being entered by the dates of the first and last Pleading, and name of the Six-Clerk, where necessary, constituted a piece having a separate destination. The pieces so formed were then tied up in corded parcels, or in trammels to fit them for carriage, and keep them from falling asunder in their new place of deposit, and to each a label was attached, indicating the press and shelf in the Rolls Collection, from which it was to come, and the bay, shelf, and sub-number in the Record Treasury, to which it should go. The same process of entering and labelling was pursued with the other portions of the Collection, numbering 9,487 pieces in all. With the exception of the Pleadings, the sequence of which was determined by their dates, Delivery Dockets were made out for all the Collection, and accompanied the pieces on their removal. App. XVII.
Preparation for
removal of
Rolls Collec-
tion.
App. XVIII.,
XIX., XX.

29. The distinction prescribed by the Act between Records of twenty years old, and those under that age, not being considered to apply to those directly in charge of the Master of the Rolls as Keeper of the Records of Chancery, it was deemed expedient to include all the Pleadings by Bill and Answer, although coming down to the year 1850. Infra-vicesimal
Records, some
included.

30. It was also thought proper that the whole of the Inventions-Patents to the present time should be transferred to this Department. This large and very valuable class of documents had been for many years practically useless to the public, owing partly to the high scale of search fees in the Rolls Office, but chiefly to the want of room for its arrangement, and of hands to keep pace with the rapidly increasing matter transmitted almost continuously through the post. On looking at the collection where it was deposited on the tables, floor, press-tops, and window-sills of the Rolls Record Room, the Master of the Rolls agreed with me that it would be more likely to be useful to the public, if transferred entire to this Department. It has, accordingly, been deposited Inventions-
Patents Col-
lection.

here, and arrangements are in progress for preparing the unassorted arrears and unopened parcels for the bookbinder.

Special estimate.

31. The duty of opening and distributing the varied contents of the parcels which arrive from time to time, will require constant attention; and it has been thought proper that, for that purpose, provision should be made in the amount estimated for the miscellaneous expenses in the year 1869-70.

Removal of Rolls Collection begun 16 June, 1868;

32. The several sets of Records having been prepared for transfer, the removal of the pieces was commenced on the 16th of June. This was effected by means of a gangway and platform from the windows at the rear of the great Record Room, so as to avoid interference with the public in their access to the Chancery Offices, and was completed on the 13th of July without any interruption to the service of the Department, and, as I believe, without the loss or injury of any Record.

completed 13 July, 1868.

Extra labour,

33. In addition to the regular staff of officers and workmen of the Department, there was employed in this operation a number of labourers, varying from ten to fifteen, supplied by the Board of Works. For the purpose of stimulating their exertions, and placing them more directly under the control of the Officers and Foreman, small sums were paid these labourers in addition to their regular wages, and the Foreman and workmen of the Department being called upon to work overtime, received rateable remuneration for their extra services from the fund placed at the disposal of the Department for Incidental Expenses.

compensated from Incidentals Fund.

Present position and state of the Chancery Pleadings.

34. The deposit of the Pleadings in their temporary receptacles has been attended with inconvenience, as was expected; but they have been found sufficiently accessible, and, as yet, have not suffered from being confined in the trammels, or from contact with the iron standards.

Mode of Searching.

35. When a Pleading is wanted, the Bill Book gives the date, and the Transfer Book indicates the piece in which the date will be found, and the piece, being taken down and carried to the light, the document sought is usually found in a few minutes, and the piece re-recorded and returned to its place; but the arrangement will be much improved when the documents shall be arranged on their trays, removed from all injurious contact, and kept in a well lighted repository.

Rolls of Chancery.

36. The large portion of this collection, consisting of Rolls, has been deposited on open shelves, as it formerly stood in the presses of the Upper Rolls Record Room. But it is desirable that the Rolls should, as soon as possible, be placed on the side, so as to exclude the dust which now penetrates the vertical folds; and arrangements are in progress by which the same system of skeleton trays adopted for the Pleadings shall be applied to them; so that, while occupying much less space than at present, and fully exposed to the air, they will be secure from falling dust. A portion of the Chancery Collection, consisting of the Recognizance Rolls, has already been arranged in this manner, and is found easy of access, and very compact in point of space occupied.

New arrangement.

37. Your Excellency will have observed that a peculiar feature of the Record Treasury is the openness of its fittings, and the

permeability, in all directions, of the whole internal area to light and air. The parchments in the Rolls Record Room were kept in closed presses, and had to some extent suffered from mildew and incipient decomposition. At first, on their lodgment on the open shelves of the Record Treasury, an offensive smell proceeded from some of them, but after a short time it passed off, and the air in those bays is now perfectly pure.

Advantages of open Construction of Record Treasury.

38. The free circulation of air through all parts of the building is, however, attended with one disadvantage in the diffusion of dust and smoke from the chimneys of neighbouring factories. The deposit of sooty particles on all parts of the interior is very considerable, and it is to be feared that injury may be done to the Records by long exposure to these deposits.

Liability to dust and smoke.

39. In adopting the system of skeleton trays (which, when not made in iron, consist of light wooden frames, with a cross piece and movable laths kept in position by their elasticity) regard has been had to the expediency of reducing the quantity of wood employed to a *minimum*. Every shelf of the Rolls presses contains 4,312 cubic inches of inflammable material. A small tray to carry the same area of parchment contains only 176 cubic inches, so that, three trays being sufficient for the contents of an average shelf, the reduction in the amount of inflammable matter, supposing wooden trays to be employed, may be considered as in the proportion of seven parts in eight. The wood employed is sycamore, as combining strength with slowness of combustion in a high degree. Recourse has not been had to steeping or otherwise impregnating the wood in these fittings with anti-combustive solutions, by reason of the risk of producing rust on the galvanized iron bearers on which they slide; but in the basement story, to which the presses of the Rolls Record Room have been transferred, it has been deemed prudent to remove the old paint and to treat the outside of the presses with solution of silicate of potass followed by coats of limewash and distemper.

Steps taken to diminish employment of wood in fittings.

Presses of Rolls Record Room in Basement

40. In the arrangement of the Rolls presses in the basement story, care has been taken to separate them into isolated blocks, divided at their closest approximation by the thickness of a pier of masonry, and each set of three of them divided from the others by an interval of not less than five feet. This basement being separated from the Upper Treasury by solid vaulting, there seems no probability of danger to the principal repository from any fire originating there.

in isolated blocks.

41. In the Upper Treasury, however, although the original design was substantially to exclude the employment of wooden fittings, yet wooden shelving was introduced, and it now contains upwards of 5,000 cubic feet of timber disposed in a manner most favourable to combustion. As the tray system has dispensed with solid wooden shelving for all flat parchments and rolls, it is hoped that where extended surfaces of support are necessary, other means will be found by which shelving of this description may be gradually displaced, so as to place this repository on a par in point of security from fire with the great National Record Office of London.

Wooden shelving in Treasury hall

to be displaced as far as practicable.

Transfer from
other Reposi-
tories proceeded
with.

42. In order to facilitate the re-arrangement of offices, under the recent Chancery Act, it was deemed expedient, without waiting to make any further arrangement of the pieces already deposited, to proceed with the transfer of the Books and Documents of the Registrar's Office, the Affidavit Office, Crown and Hanaper Office, and Recognizance Office of Chancery, and with the Records of the Crown Office of the Court of Queen's Bench, these being the parts of the Four Courts Buildings in which the operations of the Board of Works were expected to commence.

Registrars'
Office of Court
of Chancery.

43. The Registrar's Office of the Court of Chancery, as will be seen by the *Précis*, contained a large and very important class of Records, consisting of Hearing Books, Decrees, Orders, Reports, Petitions, and a great variety of incidental proceedings. It was deposited in presses in three apartments in the eastern quadrangle of the Four Courts. The preparations for transfer were undertaken by Mr. La Touche, assisted by Mr. Mills, on the 28th of July, and the removal was completed on the 14th of October. For the particulars of this operation, next to that of the Rolls Record Room, the most onerous as yet undertaken, I beg leave to refer to the Report of Mr. La Touche.

Transfer com-
menced 28th
July, 1868;
completed 14th
October, 1868.
App. XXI.

Affidavit Office
of Court of
Chancery.

App. XXII.

44. Mr. La Touche also, assisted by Mr. M'Ghee, conducted the preparation for transfer, and the removal of the Documents in the Affidavit Office of the Court of Chancery. This operation began on the 14th of August, and was completed on the 26th of September; the particulars will more fully appear by Mr. La Touche's Report, to which I beg leave to refer.

Recognizance
Office and
Crown and
Hanaper Office.
Appendix
XXIII, XIV.

45. Mr. Overend, with the assistance of Mr. Berry, undertook the preparation for transfer and removal of the Records in the Recognizance Office and in the Crown and Hanaper Office of the Court of Chancery; for the particulars of these operations, beginning on the 16th and terminating on the 26th of October, I beg leave to refer to their Reports.

App. XXV.

46. On the 22nd of August, 1868, the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls issued his warrant authorizing the Deputy Keeper to take possession of the Records in the Crown Office of the Court of Queen's Bench.

Crown Office
of Court of
Queen's Bench.

47. Mr. M'Ghee and Mr. Moloney were intrusted with the preparation for transfer of this important collection. These Records were entered, docketed, and labelled, preparatory to their receiving their destinations and being removed; but, owing to the approach of Term, and the unlikelihood of the Board of Works requiring possession for some time, remained unremoved at the end of the year. Amongst them are 140 Rolls in broken series of the Civil Side of the Court, from 34th Elizabeth to A.D. 1657, the existence of which does not appear to have been previously known. The Report of Messrs. Moloney and M'Ghee, under whose superintendence the collection has since been removed to the Record Treasury, will appear in the Appendix to the next annual Report.

Petitions in
Chancery as-
sorted.

48. On the removal of the Records of the Registrars' Office of the Court of Chancery it was found necessary to re-assort the collection of Petitions and Reports. The Petitions being original Documents, bearing the orders in the autographs of the Chan-

cellors, of which there exist no copies or duplicates, are documents of great value, and frequent reference is had to them. From the carelessness of Solicitors who had been permitted to search them without the intervention of the officer, they had fallen into a state of great confusion. The re-arrangement of the whole collection was committed to Mr. Tucker, who commenced this laborious undertaking on the 18th of September, and by giving his Christmas vacation as overtime, had it accomplished on the 31st of December. The Documents which were folded and tied up in bundles have been separately opened out, distributed into their respective series, and made up in thicknesses suitable for reception in book-portfolios of a uniform size. A pattern of portfolio combining durability with facility of adjustment to contents of varying thickness, has been adopted. To facilitate the process of separate adjustment, it is proposed to make up these portfolios in the workshop of the Department with materials which are being supplied by the Stationery Office. Although still in uncased bundles, the entire collection is now in consultable order, but, after filling up numerous gaps in the several series, there still remains a hiatus of nine years, from 1800 to 1808 both inclusive, in letter N of the Petitions.

The subjoined table exhibits the general results of this operation. App. XXVI. For details I beg leave to refer to the Report of Mr. Tucker in the Appendix.

CLASSES OF DOCUMENTS.	Number of Portfolios.	Average No. of Documents in each.	Estimated Total Number of Documents.
Petitions,	350	300	105,000
Reports,	184	300	55,200
Accounts, Receivers',	135	250	33,750
„ Guardians',	41	250	10,250
Certificates,	34	300	10,200
Consents,	49	300	14,700
Submissions, Awards, and Releases,	22	250	5,500
Sequestrations and Injunctions,	7	150	1,050
Cases and Issues,	2	200	400
			236,050

49. The papers and documents from the repositories of Master Litton and his predecessors in office (computed to contain the proceedings in upwards of 6,000 causes), which had been roughly assorted in the order of the first letter only, were, at the close of the year, in process of being indexed and arranged in dictionary order under the direction of Mr. Mills, whose report of the completion of this operation will be submitted in the next Annual Report.

Arrangement
of the Litton
Collection
commenced.

50. In the Record Tower (Dublin Castle) Branch it has been found necessary to remove a part of the collection in order to make room for accessions of Records from the Office of the Chief Secretary. The part selected for removal consists of the transcripts, manuscript compilations, and stock of printed matter of the expired Irish Record Commission deposited in one of the

Record Tower,
Dublin Castle

Irish Record
Commission
Collection
transferred.

upper rooms of the Record Tower. Fittings specially adapted for the reception of other portions of the collection are now in progress, and it has been deemed advisable not to proceed further in the removal of the contents of the Record Tower for the present, more especially as, under the care of Sir J. Bernard Burke, Keeper of the State Papers, they have been arranged in excellent order, and are conveniently accessible.

App. XXVII.

I have the honour to refer your Excellency to the present state of the Records in the Record Tower Repository to the Report of Sir J. Bernard Burke, as Keeper of the State Papers, to the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls, which will be found in the Appendix.

Calendar of
Patent Rolls of
James I.

51. Amongst the stock of unbound printed matter in the Record Commission Collection are sheets of the earlier portion of the Calendar of Patent Rolls of James I., by the aid of which the residue of about sixty imperfect copies of that valuable and now very rare work remaining in the Rolls Collection may be completed.

Recapitulation
of Documents
transferred.

52. The general nature and extent of the collection which, to the close of the year 1868, had been removed to and placed in consultable order in the Record Treasury will appear from the following table. Owing to the very wide limits within which the number of documents in each piece ranges, and many of the pieces, such as sacks, being still unarranged, the average total of instruments is not included.

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Piece
Rolls Record Room,	Faints for Letters Patent,	6'
	Rolls, Patent and Close,	1,14
	„ Deed,	4
	„ Statute,	6
	„ Catholic,	51
	Transmisses,	14
	Pleadings in Chancery, Ancient,	26
	Bills and Answers,	4,56
	Decrees,	34
	Inquisitions,	20
	Court Palatine of Tipperary, Pleadings,	14
	Equity Exchequer Decrees,	2
	Inventions-Patents,	21
	Miscellaneous,	25
	Bill and Index Books,	34
Registrars' Office, Court of Chancery.	Pleadings and Appearances,	6
	Chancery Rolls, Motion and Hearing Books,	48
	Petitions,	89
	Reports,	73
	Order Books,	53
	Decrees,	45

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
Registrars' Office, Court of Chancery— <i>con.</i>	Accounts and Account Books, . . .	249
	Consents,	408
	Rule Books, Chancery,	98
	„ Equity Exchequer,	13
	Appearance Books,	45
	Pleadings,	19
	Masters' Certificates,	21
	Perambulations and Awards,	490
	Depositions,	662
	Equity Exchequer Hearing and Docket Books,	27
	Miscellaneous,	27
Affidavit Office of Chancery.	Affidavits,	6,118
Hanaper Office, . . .	(Details in Transfer Books), . . .	672
Recognizance Office, .	Recognizances, Rolls, and Orders, .	237
Brooke Collection, . .	Deed Boxes,	261
	Cause Papers, &c.,	7,279
Litton Collection, . .	Deed Boxes,	352
Usher of Court of Chancery.	(Details in Index),	765
Record Tower, Dublin Castle.	(Details in Transfer Book), . . .	514
	Total,	30,908

53. Excepting those of the Brooke Causes collection, each of the above-mentioned pieces is entered in the Transfer Books, and (save the Chancery Pleadings series) in the Delivery Sheets. These entries constitute particular Indexes, single or in duplicate, to the several portions of the collection. An Index *Raisonnée* of leading heads has been formed to the collective entries. A general detailed Index is in progress, commencing with the Rolls collection: it is completed up to page 222, and comprises the whole of the Pleadings series and Rolls. Each piece is referred to by its bay, shelf, and sub-number in columns headed "Temporary Position in Record Treasury," there being columns left in blank for final destinations.

Draft indexes have been prepared for the Brooke Causes Collection, the Brooke Deed Boxes, the Litton Deed Boxes, the Usher's of Chancery Collection, and the sealed Depositions.

A Calendar to the Enrolment of Deeds, under the Act for abolishing Fines and Recoveries, in continuation of that prepared by Mr. Hatchell, and printed for the Rolls Office, is in progress.

App. XXVIII. It comprises the necessary particulars of each enrolment in a more succinct form than was previously adopted. A specimen page is given in the Appendix.

A manuscript index to the Calendar of Patent Rolls of James I. (left unindexed by the Irish Record Commission) which was prepared by Mr. L'Estrange, formerly of the Quit-rent Office, has by the permission of that gentleman, been transcribed for the use of this department.

Present state
of Record
Treasury.

54. The progress made, as well in filling the receptacles provided in the finished part of the Treasury as in the erection of the new fittings, will appear from the subjoined tabular epitome which may be regarded as representing a longitudinal section of the building.

It will be observed that the bulk of the collection, consisting almost altogether of Records of the Court of Chancery, is placed on the western side of the hall. The object of this arrangement is to provide a temporary place of deposit for the Pleadings, Rolls and other documents requiring special fittings for their ultimate reception pending the completion of the eastern bays, shown in the table as in process of construction.

Progress in
constructing
new Bays.

55. The iron fittings necessary for this purpose were not delivered until the month of October, since which time the artificers employed under the Commissioners of Works have been actively engaged in the work of construction. The deflected lattice girders were made permanently secure; the joists and floor were laid, and progress made in preparing the standards and apparatus for carrying the trays before the close of the year. In these newly fitted up bays the central lattice partition and central block of shelving are omitted, so as to leave the entire window space unobstructed, with a floor of six feet in width in the centre of each bay, the loss of space caused by the abolition of the central shelves being compensated by the increased depth of the receptacles at each side.

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56. The fees received in the Search and Transcribing Department of the Office here for the ten months during which the Record Office has been in effective operation, up to 31st December, 1868, amount to £131 17s. 6d.; the details of the work appear by the annexed table, the charges at 1s. per folio indicating the transcription of documents of dates prior to the reign of George III.

Fees to 31st
December,
1868.

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	—	—	162	4 1 0	6 17 0
June, . . .	5	—	—	0 5 0	
	—	124	—	6 4 0	
	—	—	128	3 4 0	9 13 0
July, . . .	15	—	—	0 15 0	
	—	188	—	9 8 0	
	—	—	515	12 17 6	23 0 6
August, . . .	22	—	—	1 2 0	
	—	18	—	0 18 0	
	—	—	22	0 11 0	2 11 0
September, . .	12	—	—	0 12 0	
	—	222	—	11 2 0	
	—	—	12	0 6 0	12 0 0
October, . . .	12	—	—	0 12 0	
	—	48	—	2 8 0	
	—	—	227	5 13 6	8 13 6
November, . .	13	—	—	0 13 0	
	—	48	—	2 8 0	
	—	—	481	12 0 6	15 1 6
December, . .	21	—	—	1 1 0	
	—	252	—	12 12 0	
	—	—	554	13 17 0	27 10 0
	149	1,203	2,571	—	£131 17 6

Fees at Custom House Branch.

57. At the Custom House Branch, owing to the peculiar nature of the services there rendered, most of them being gratuitous, the fees from 10th October, 1867, to 31st December, 1868, amount only to £46 3s. 6d.

CUSTOM HOUSE BRANCH.—FEES up to 31st DECEMBER, 1868.

Date.	Constats.	Searches.	Copies.	Traces.	—
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
10th October, 1867, to } 29th February, 1868, }	8 2 6	3 4 8	1 0 4	0 15 0	13 2 6
March, 1868, . . .	4 15 0	1 9 4	0 2 8	0 10 0	6 17 0
April, " . . .	0 5 0	0 8 0	0 10 0	—	1 3 0
May, " . . .	1 10 0	0 16 0	—	1 0 0	3 6 0
June, " . . .	3 5 0	1 12 0	0 8 0	0 10 0	5 15 0
July, " . . .	5 5 0	1 18 0	1 0 0	—	8 3 0
August, " . . .	0 5 0	0 2 0	—	—	0 7 0
September, " . . .	—	0 10 0	—	—	0 10 0
October, " . . .	2 0 0	0 11 0	0 5 0	0 10 0	3 6 0
November, " . . .	0 15 0	0 11 0	0 10 0	—	1 16 0
December, " . . .	1 5 0	0 13 0	—	—	1 18 0
Total,	£ 46 3 6				

Exceptional services at Custom House Branch.

58. The details of the gratuitous work performed at the Custom House Branch, and which up to the present has withdrawn two of the staff from the more immediate duties of this Office, appear by the following return furnished by Mr. Day:—

BUSINESS transacted at the CUSTOM HOUSE BRANCH of the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE of IRELAND, for PUBLIC DEPARTMENTS, from 1st November, 1867, to 31st December, 1868.

Month.	Reports.	Searches.	Maps exhibited for Tracings.	Discharging Rents from Rental.	Entering Patents and other Appointments.	Certificates in duplicate.
November, 1867, . . .	9	7	5	—	3	6
December, " . . .	6	13	3	29	2	4
January, 1868, . . .	8	8	12	3	1	2
February, " . . .	8	17	16	2	—	—
March, " . . .	6	31	5	13	—	—
April, " . . .	13	8	8	13	—	—
May, " . . .	10	19	8	9	—	—
June, " . . .	6	60	11	5	—	—
July, " . . .	6	6	8	5	—	—
August, " . . .	—	1	3	5	—	—
September, " . . .	4	1	9	1	—	—
October, " . . .	5	5	4	—	—	—
November, " . . .	3	6	10	—	—	—
December, " . . .	8	166	5	34	7	14
Total, . . .	92	353	107	119	13	26

It is chiefly in connexion with the requirements of the Quit-rent branch of the Department of Woods and Forests, and in continuation of the former practice of the Landed Estates Record

Office, that these services have been given. There being no provision in the Act for continuing the former practice after the removal of the Custom House collection, which will probably take place during the present year, I have communicated in reference to these services with the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls, who has brought the subject under the consideration of the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury.

59. The provisions of the Act (s. 7) for making compensation Expenses under Compensation Section. to former Record keepers and persons officially deriving emolument from searching or copying Records have not added materially to the expenses incurred for the purposes of the Act. In one case an annual sum has been awarded; and in two other instances the receipt of the maximum salaries has been accelerated, under the proviso that account shall be taken of such compensation in any salary to which the compensated party may become entitled in virtue of any appointment in the Public Record Office. Other claims, under the seventh section of the Act will arise during the progress of the removal.

60. I have to acknowledge the following donations to the Donations. Department:—

From the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury—

Irish State Papers. Five volumes.

Transcripts of Carte Papers. Twenty-seven volumes.

App. XXIV.

Fac-similes of National MSS. Three volumes.

App. XXV.

The National MSS. of Scotland.

Chronicles of Picts and Scots. Edited by W. F. Skene, esq.

Ledger of Andrew Halyburton. Edited by C. Innes.

From Francis Morgan, esq., Law Agent to the Municipal Corporation of Dublin—

Rental of the Estates of the Corporation of Dublin.

From M. A. Vallet (de Viriville)—

L'Ecole des Chartes: Paris, 1867.

61. At the time of the delivery of the first portion of the Carte Transcripts the Establishment had not been fully formed. On the arrival of the second instalment, with the valuable and interesting collection of Irish State Papers from Philadelphia, it was considered proper, notwithstanding the serious drawbacks occasioned by want of room and pre-occupation of the officers in the more urgent work of transfer to open the department to literary searchers. No proper reading-room being as yet available, the amount of literary inquiry has hitherto been inconsiderable. Literary Searchers. App. XXXI.

62. The business of organizing the department and carrying on the weighty operations of transfer and construction has not yet admitted of any steps being taken under the provisions of the Act authorizing official Publications. 30 & 31 Vic. c. 70, ss. 21, 22

63. I beg leave to express my satisfaction in the zeal and ability with which the officers and servants of the Department

have discharged their various duties, and to add my acknowledgment of the efficient assistance rendered to me in the great multiplicity of mechanical details involved in the year's operations by the Commissioners of Public Works, their Architect and Foreman.

I further desire to thank the Deputy Keeper and Officers of the Public Record Office, London, for frequent and valuable advice in the detail of official organization.

All which is humbly submitted to your Excellency.

Dated at the Public Record Office of
Ireland, Four Courts, Dublin, this
12th day of February, 1869.

SAMUEL FERGUSON,

Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland.

I humbly certify to your Excellency that this Report is made by the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, under my direction, pursuant to the Statute.

JOHN E. WALSH, M.R.

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX No. 1.

MEMORANDUM of delivery of possession of RECORD BUILDING.

19th November, 1867.

SIR,—Pursuant to the provisions of the Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867, I herewith, on behalf of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, deliver up to the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls in Ireland the building erected in the neighbourhood of the Four Courts in Dublin, for the purpose of serving as a Public Record Office.

(Signed,) JAMES H. OWEN.

To Samuel Ferguson, Esq., &c., &c.

19th November, 1867.

I accept possession on behalf of the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls in Ireland.

(Signed,) SAMUEL FERGUSON,
Deputy Keeper of the Records in Ireland.

Witness present—ROBERT G. DAY.

APPENDIX No. 2.

CONTENTS of the several undermentioned RECORD REPOSITORIES of IRELAND, as they existed in October, 1864.*

PRINTED AS INSTRUCTIONS TOWARDS THE REMOVAL OF THE RECORDS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, NOVEMBER, 1867.

The Rolls Office.

The different series may be classed under seventeen heads :

1. The Chancery Enrolments, commonly known as the Patent and Close Rolls. The Patent Rolls commence in the reign of Edward I., and are continued down to the present time ; there are, however, some chasms in the series, and during the reigns of Henry VIII., Edward VI., Mary, Elizabeth, and James I., the Rolls themselves are very incomplete.

2. The Close Rolls commence in the twentieth year of the reign of Edward II., and end in the thirteenth of Charles I., but were never continued in regular succession. After the roll last mentioned the distinction between Patent and Close Rolls was wholly discontinued ; indeed it does not appear to have been strictly observed in Ireland from the beginning, as Letters Patent were often enrolled on the Close Rolls, and, in numerous instances, Close Letters are recorded on the Patent Rolls.

* Abstracted from "Survey" of Messrs. T. Duffus Hardy and Brewer, prepared for use of Her Majesty's Treasury.

3. The Parliament Rolls, comprising both the public and the private Acts of the Irish Parliament, begin with the reign of Henry VI., and end in the year 1800, at the Union.

4. The Recognizance Rolls commence with the reign of Henry VIII., and end in the tenth year of the reign of Charles I.

5. Cromwell's Rolls extend from 1653 to 1659, and contain chiefly deeds and memoranda; there are, however, some charters and grants upon them, and, consequently, they are considered as a portion of the series of the Patent Rolls.

6. The pleadings, or bills and answers in the Court of Chancery, from the year 1568 to the present time. Those from the year 1568 to 1648 were brought to the Rolls Office from the dome of the Four Courts about the year 1819, by order of the Commissioners of Public Records for Ireland, and are not well arranged. Those from 1655 to 1760 have been tied up in bundles, and have been correctly arranged and indexed; but those from 1760 to 1848 are not arranged in bundles but placed on shelves in presses, in perfect order, with good indexes, and are easily referred to.

7. The decrees of the Court of Chancery commence in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of Henry VIII., and, with a chasm from 1643 to 1655, come down to 1775. From that time to the year 1843, they were engrossed on irregular skins of parchment; were written on both sides in a very indifferent, and often illegible, hand, and are full of clerical errors. From 1843 this objectionable mode of dealing with the decrees was remedied by confining the materials of the decree for enrolment to the mere decretal part, and the documents were fairly transcribed and bound in uniform volumes.

8. The Convert Rolls commence in 1703, and contain the enrolments of Bishops' and Ministers' Certificates to such persons as had conformed to the Protestant religion. The Bishops' Certificates end in 1782, and the Ministers' begin at this date, and continue in regular succession to the Roman Catholic Emancipation Act. There are also a number of bundles from 1709 to 1781, containing certificates from the Prothonotaries and other officers of the Superior Courts of Law, stating what persons had conformed to the Protestant religion, and taken the Sacrament within the prescribed time.

9. The Roman Catholic Rolls commence in 1778, and contain the qualifications of Roman Catholic. This series is very incomplete.

10. The Rolls of the Palatinate Court of Tipperary range from 1703 to 1714. The pleadings filed in that Court commence in 1662 and end in 1714. These documents were deposited in the Rolls Office, pursuant to statute 2 Geo. I.

11. Letters of Guardianship, &c., of Lunatics, which are kept in bundles, commence in 1796, and are continued in a regular series to the present time.

12. Warrants, commonly called "Fiants," from their commencing words: "Fiant litteræ domini Regis patentes," begin with the twenty-first year of the reign of Henry VIII., and are continued to the present time. These very important documents supply the deficiencies of the Patent Rolls, as we have already pointed out, and a calendar of them ought to be printed forthwith as a necessary supplement to the calendar of these Rolls.

13. The Inquisitions *post mortem* commence with the reign of Elizabeth (a few are found of an earlier date), and come down to the Restoration.

14. The Inquisitions on attainder begin with the reign of Elizabeth, and continue to that of William III.

15. Documents commonly known as "Strafford's Inquisitions," taken in 1635 and 1637, and finding the title of Charles I. to the province of Connaught.

16. Transmisses of public and private Acts of Parliament from the reign of Henry VII. to the Union. These records, which are very numerous, were transferred from the Parliamentary Office to the Rolls Office at the Union by the directions of Lord Chancellor Clare.

17. Under the head of "Miscellanea" are several original Records (which cannot be classed under any of the above-mentioned heads), consisting of Surveys, Charters, Rentals, and other instruments.

Besides the above, which may be termed Chancery Records, the following were transferred to the Rolls Office in 1851 :—

Exchequer Bills and Answers from 1674 to 1850 (about thirty of the documents fall within the years 1664 and 1674).

Exchequer Bill Books from 1674 to 1850.

Exchequer Decrees from 1624 to 1850.

Enrolments of Exchequer Decrees from 1835.

The Registrars' Office of the Court of Chancery.

In this department, which is in the Four Courts Buildings, the following series of Records are preserved :—

1. Order Books from 1583, irregular to 1636.
2. Books of Pleadings from 1664.
3. Books of Hearings and Motions from 1621 to 1729. Book of Hearings from 1729 to 18—.
4. Petitions from 1700, irregular to 1750.
5. Decrees from 1715.
6. Exceptions, Reports, Certificates, Accounts, Awards, and Attachments from 1728, irregular to 1750.
7. Commissions and Perambulations from 1704.
8. Consents from 1752.
9. Appearances from 1745.
10. Side Bar Chancery Books from 1827.
11. Exchequer Rule Books from 1822 to 1850.
12. Exchequer Petitions from 1844 to 1850.
13. Masters' Orders from 1850.

The Hanaper and Crown Office of the Court of Chancery.

This Office is on the ground-floor of the Western Quadrangle of the Four Courts, immediately under the Record Room of the Rolls Office. The Records in this Office consist of—

Registers, or Books of Entries of Documents which pass under the Great Seal,* such as the appointments of Public Officers, of Bishops, Deans, and the Clergy appointed to Crown livings.

Commissions of the Peace for counties, cities, and boroughs.

Commission of Assize and Gaol Delivery.

Special Commissions.

Commissions of Delegates of Review of Lunacy, and Admiralty, of Valuation, and Commissions appointing Masters Extraordinary.

Writs for the election of Peers Temporal to sit in Parliament pursuant to the Act of Union, and of Members of the House of Commons.

Inquisitions on Statute Staple, and Magistrates' Oaths.

* The Warrants called "Fiant," for making out Letters Patent and Commissions, are sent up to the Rolls Office.

Masters in Chancery.

There are four Masters in Chancery, each having his own records and papers, which are of a very miscellaneous character. Besides those properly appertaining to a Master in Chancery, each Master has under his charge numerous books and documents which formerly belonged to the abolished Office of the Equity side of the Court of Exchequer. The following list, combining the Chancery and Exchequer Records, will give some notion of the nature of these documents :—

1. Draft Conveyances to purchasers of lands sold by Chief Remembrancer of the Exchequer, pursuant to Decrees of Court, from 1757 to 1850.
2. Charges, Discharges, and Miscellaneous Papers, from 1745 to 1850.
3. Bundles of Interrogatories and Depositions unarranged.
4. Title Deeds lodged in the Remembrancer's Office, pursuant to orders of the Barons of the Exchequer.
5. Affidavits, very numerous, from 1690 to 1809.
6. Depositions from 1723.
7. Title Deeds; Books of Account.
8. Rule Books of the Chief and Second Remembrancer of the Exchequer from 1840 to 1850.
9. Summons Books.
10. Receivers' Books.
11. Letting Books.
12. Leases to Tenants under Order of Court.
13. Reports of Chief and Second Remembrancer of the Exchequer, from about 1760 to 1839.
14. Court Books containing particulars of Biddings at Sales, from 1725 to 1850.
15. Old Account Books; some of these appear to be mercantile, and were probably exhibits in various suits.
16. Miscellaneous Papers, which probably belonged to solicitors, and have been left in the offices from time to time.
17. Draft Reports.
18. Receivers' Accounts passed from 1800 to 1850.
19. Tenants' Proposals and Counterpart Draft Leases.
20. Replications and Rejoinders, from 1682 to 1832.
21. Writs of Attachment, Replevin, Scire Facias, &c., formerly belonging to the Filacer's Office.
22. Sheriffs' Accounts, Processes, &c. These Rolls and Papers formerly belonged to the abolished Office of Clerk of Estreats.
23. Accounts of County Treasurers, from 1837 to the present time. These are very numerous, and occupy considerable space.

Besides the foregoing, these offices contain cause petitions, orders, charges, discharges, draft reports, draft orders, and all papers lodged in the conduct of causes and matters which have passed through the Masters' Offices since August, 1850, to the present time (pursuant to the Chancery Registration Act), with the exception of the Receivers' accounts, Masters' reports and orders, which, when passed or signed, are transmitted to the Registrars' Office.

Besides the above, there is in each of the four Masters' Offices a large collection of deeds and valuable documents which have been deposited there for reference during the progress of different suits, to enable the

Master to take accounts and ascertain the rights of parties, and these have never been removed. These deeds are preserved in tin cases and wooden boxes. In 1858 there were about 1,000 of these boxes.

The Cursitors of the Court of Chancery.

The Cursitors' Office was abolished in the year , and the documents, consisting of—

Præcipes or instructions for the issuing of original writs and warrants of attorney, which were filed in that Office upon the issuing of writs ;

Præcipes to Outlawry ;

are at present deposited in the same building as the Equity Exchequer Records.

The Chief Examiner's Office in Chancery.

The Records in this Office consist of—

Interrogatories, which have been filed for the examination of witnesses in causes pending in the Court of Chancery.

Depositions taken to such Interrogatories, whether by the Examiner-in-chief in person or by Commissioners duly appointed for such purpose.

The earliest of these Records bears date in the year 1503. The books in relation to the Records commence in the year 1656. In the year 1850 the Equity side of the Exchequer was abolished, and the records of the then Senior Examiner on the Equity side, consisting of Interrogatories and Depositions, were transferred to this Office. Previously to that time it seems that these Records were lodged in the private houses of the Examiners. The earliest of these Exchequer Records bears date in 1803.

The books relating to these Records commence in 1803, and are continued regularly to 1850, when the office was abolished.

The Affidavit Office.

This Office contains all affidavits filed in the Court of Chancery from the year 1662, as well as those in the Equity side of the Exchequer when it was abolished in 1850, and the affidavits sent here. The earliest date of the Exchequer affidavits is not known.

The Recognizance Office.

This Office contains all the Recognizances entered into by parties in the Court of Chancery from the year 1690 to the present time. The indexes to these documents extend over the same period.

Lunacy Office.

This Office contains Petitions, Orders, Reports, Accounts, and Affidavits in Lunacy causes. They go back to the year 1745. Previous to the year 1843 all the documents are in bundles, since which time they are bound up in volumes. The Reports of Medical Inspectors begin in 1850.

We proceed to the Records of the Law Courts, the chief of which is—

The Queen's Bench.

The Records on the Civil side of this Court consist of the undermentioned series:—

1. Declaration, Ejectment, and Plaint Books, from 1707 to 1864.
2. Nil Dicit Judgment Books, from 1806 to 1850.
3. Affidavit Books, from 1813 to 1864.
4. Judgment Mortgage Books, from 1850 to 1864.
5. Defence to Ejectments Books, from 1823 to 1851.
6. Sheriffs' Returned Writ Books, from 1836 to 1864.
7. Consent Books, from 1834 to 1864.
8. Postea Books, from 1836 to 1864.
9. Titles of Declarations and Plaints, from 1850 to 1864.
10. „ Defences to same, from 1850 to 1864.
11. „ Postea, from 1848 to 1864.
12. „ Ejectment Affidavits, from 1825 to 1864.
13. „ Motion Affidavits, from 1825 to 1864.
14. „ Judgment Mortgage Affidavits, from 1850 to 1864.
15. „ Scire Facias and Pleas, from 1848 to 1853.
16. „ Returned Writs from Sheriffs, from 1851 to 1864.
17. „ Consents (of Court and Nisi Prius), from 1848 to 1864.
18. „ Certificates of Costs, from 1848 to 1864.
19. „ Masters' Reports, from 1848 to 1864.
20. „ Judgment Pleadings, from 1850 to 1864.

In the Dome of the Four Courts Building the following series are deposited:—

21. Nil Dicit Pleadings, from 1715 to 1850.
22. Judgment in Trespass Cases and Ejectments, and Postea, from 1672 to 1850.
23. Certificates of Costs, from 1705 to 1840.
24. Summons, from 1805 to 1833.
25. Writs from Sheriffs, from 1681 to 1850.
26. Rules to Plead, from 1735 to 1829.
27. Scire Facias, from 1760 to 1850.
28. Ejectment Affidavits, from 1720 to 1824.
29. Affidavits for Writs, from 1804 to 1833.
30. Affidavits to appoint Commissioners, from 1826 to 1834.
31. Case and Trespass Declarations, from 1741 to 1849.
32. Bail Pieces, from 1730 to 1822.
33. Pleas, from 1689 to 1850.
34. Ejectment Declarations, from 1720 to 1850.
35. Insolvent Papers, from letter A to Z.

All the above are placed in the "Pleadings Assistant's Office." There is also on the Civil side of this Court a large iron chest, containing Records of Outlawry for High Treason. The keys of the chest are deposited with the Lord Chief Justice of this Court for the time being.

In the "Record Assistant's" custody are the following:—

1. Rolls (in terms) of Judgments (case and debt), from 1661 to 1770, and to the present time, two sets separate.
2. Two sets of Final Judgment Books of Reference to the above, down to 1st of November, 1844; but from that year to the present only one set.

3. Rolls of Memorials of Assignment of Judgments, from 1736 to the present time.
4. Files of Original Memorials of the above.
5. Files of Warrants to satisfy Judgments, from 1762 to the present time.
6. Affidavits on which Judgments were redocketed, from 27th June, 1828, to 1st of November, 1844.
7. One set of Interlocutory Judgment Books, from 1812 to 1821.
8. Two sets of Interlocutory Judgment Books, from 1821 to 1844; and one set from 1844 to 1853.
9. Attorney Indenture and Admission Books, from 1815 to 1844.
10. Rolls of Attorneys and Qualification oaths, from 1691 to the present time.
11. Satisfaction Books, two sets, from 1821 to 1844.
12. One set of Satisfaction Entry Books, from 1844 to the present time.
13. One set of Books of Entries of Assignments, from 1844 to the present time.
14. Files of Cognovits, from 1702 to the present time.

The more ancient Rolls of this Court, viz., the Placita from Henry III. to Charles I. inclusive, are deposited in the Bermingham Tower.

The Records of the Criminal Side of the Court of Queen's Bench preserved in the Crown Office.

The Public Records, Rolls, Books and Papers in the custody of the Clerk of the Crown of the Court of Queen's Bench, are as follow:—

1. Enrolments of Indictments, Presentments, and Judgments, from the reign of James I. to the present time.
2. Indictments from 1762 to the present time.
3. Judgments on Writs of Error, Writs of Exigent.
4. Informations from 1720.
5. Writs of Mandamus from 9 William III.
6. Miscellaneous Records of the reigns of James I. and Charles I.
7. Files of Writs of Venire and Habeas Corpus.
8. Writs of Certiorari.
9. Copies of Informations, Grand Panels, Term Crown Lists, Special Jury Lists, and Bills of Costs.
10. Indictments and Pleadings in the Queen v. O'Connell and others.
11. Recognizances and Attorney-General's Consents.
12. Transport Orders for Soldiers.
13. Affidavits for grounding applications to the Court from 1711.
14. Rule Books from 1646.
15. Cash Books from 1806.
16. Interrogatories and Answers; Articles of Peace and Appeals from 1722.
17. City of Dublin Presentments from 1724.
18. City of Dublin Maps, Presentments, and Quere Books.
19. County of Dublin Presentment Books, Quere Books, Maps and Affidavits.
20. Old Indictments at Commission Courts and Pardons.

The Court of Common Pleas.

The Records here are kept in several rooms and passages belonging to this Court in the Four Courts Building, and date as far back as the year 1558. It must, however, be remarked that the ancient Placita of

1604 to 1673, and many other useful volumes, and now most of the documents, can be found without much delay and trouble. The contents of three vaults only remain to be removed, but the documents in them have been sorted into classes, and tied up in sacks, as we have already stated.

The Records on the Equity Side of the Exchequer.

All the Records of this Court were, by the statute 13 and 14 Vict., cap. 51, section 13, transferred into the custody of the Master of the Rolls in Ireland. They were formerly in the custody of the Chief Remembrancer of the Exchequer, and consist of—

Memoranda Rolls from the reign of Edward the First.

Inquisitions *post mortem*.

Inquisitions on the surrender of Monasteries.

Estates of Attainted Persons, and the value of Ecclesiastical Benefices.

Rolls of Certificates granted to Adventurer Soldiers in the time of the usurpation.

Rolls of Decrees of Commissioners in favour of innocent Papists.

Rolls of the reducement of Quit-rents in 1670.

Rolls of Certificates of persons transplanted in Connaught in the time of the usurpation.

Rolls of the Decisions of the Commissioners under the Act of Settlement.

The Red Book of the Exchequer, "Valor Beneficiorum."

Books of Entries on Sales pursuant to decrees of the Court of Exchequer.

Charges and Discharges filed by Suitors, with the Officers' reports thereon, from the year 1680.

Informations filed by Attorney-General *ex officio*.

Bills, Answers, and other Pleadings.

Rules, Orders, and Decrees, &c.

The greater portion of the above-mentioned Records are well arranged and accessible. They are lodged in various rooms in the Four Courts Building. Upon the abolition of the Equity Side of the Exchequer (by stat. 13 & 14 Vict. cap. 51), all the records belonging to the various departments of the Equity side, such as those of the Registrar and Assistant Registrar, the Filacer, the Secondary, &c., were transferred to the Master of the Rolls in Ireland.

CUSTOM HOUSE COLLECTION.

The Receipt and Revenue Side of the Exchequer.

The Records and documents belonging to this branch of the Exchequer were formerly in the custody of the Auditor-General of the Court of Exchequer, and consist principally of—

Books or Registers of Patents from the reign of Henry VII. to the time when that office was abolished in 1822.

Patents passed under the Commission of Defective Titles, temp. Charles I.

Decrees of the Commissioners for executing the said Act.

Certificates of transplanted persons under the same Act.

Kings' letters from the reign of Henry VIII.

Assignments and Powers of Attorney.

Book of Indentures of Composition in the reigns of Elizabeth and James I.
Rent Roll of Queen Elizabeth.
Rent Roll of Monasteries, &c.
Rolls of the Civil and Military Establishments from the Reign of Elizabeth.
Surveys and Distributions of each county in Ireland, of the lands forfeited in 1641.
Surveys of lands not forfeited, &c.

These and several other very important Records, such as those of the late Clerk of the Pell and other officers of the Receipt of the Irish Exchequer, the Surveyor-General of Crown Lands and Honours in Ireland, the late Irish Treasury Board and the late Vice-Treasurer, and the Down Survey, were deposited, in the year 1832, in the south-western wing of the Custom House, having been brought from various offices in Dublin Castle and the Dome of the Four Courts Buildings. Some other documents of less importance, viz. :—

Population Returns,
Papers from the Excise Office,
have since been placed in the Custom House Repository.

The Admiralty.

The Records of the Court of Admiralty consist of—

Rule Books and Books of Orders of the Court in different suits from 1747 to the present time.
Stipulations on Bail Bonds from 1805 to 1809, signed by persons to obtain, *pendente lite*, the release of vessels or persons detained under process of Court.
Affidavits on which warrants have issued.
Warrants which have been executed.
Warrants of Attorney.
Warrants, called Fiats.
Appearances.
Notices.
Orders to act for suitors.
Allegations.
Petitions.
Libels.
Exceptions.
Monitions.
Sentences.
Rolls of Admission of Officers, &c.

Court of Prerogative.

The Records in the possession of the Deputy Registrar of the Court of Prerogative are—

Original Wills from about the year 1530.
Books of Entry or copies of such Wills from 1582.
Books of Entry of Administrations, and Marriage Licences.
Rule Books.
Pleadings and Depositions in Causes.
Books of Entries of Faculties granted to Clergymen to hold pluralities of livings, and to other persons for exercising the office of Public Notary.
Regal Visitation Books.

The Record Tower, Dublin Castle.

In this Tower are deposited—

1. The Records of the late Irish Parliament, extending from the year 1634 to 1800, and embracing the following subjects :—

- Accounts of various kinds.
- Addresses to the Sovereign, Royal Family, Lord Lieutenant, &c.
- Appeals.
- Appointments.
- Associations.
- Bills and Original Paper Copies of Public Statutes.
- Rolls of the Irish Parliament.
- Certificates.
- Charters.
- Commissions.
- Committee Books and Papers.
- Journals of the Houses of Lords and Commons.
- Letters.
- Maps.
- Plans.
- Papers relating to Members of the House of Commons.
- Original Minute Books of the two Houses of Parliament.
- Original Orders of the two Houses of Parliament.
- Peerage Claims.
- Peerage Patent Petitions.
- Reports.
- Returns.
- Speeches on the Opening of Parliament.
- Council Office Copies of Letters and other communications from the Government in England.
- Original Public Statute Rolls of the Irish Parliament.
- Original Private Acts of the Irish Parliament.
- Private Papers, such as Deeds, Leases, &c.
- Suffering Loyalists' Books, &c.

2. State Papers or Records of the Council Office, from 1651 to ;
consisting of—

- Books of Entries of Civil Affairs.
- Civil Petitions.
- County Letters.
- Dockets and Fiants.
- Kings' and Queens' Letters.
- Warrants.
- Ecclesiastical matters.
- Military papers.
- Miscellaneous matters, Proclamations, &c.

3. Plea Rolls of the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, and Justices in Eyre, from 36 Henry III., an. 1252, to 45 Eliz., an. 1602, but not in sequence or in a perfect series ; miscellaneous Plea Rolls, from Elizabeth to Charles II. ; fragments of Plea Rolls, from Henry III. to Charles I.

4. Pipe Rolls of the Irish Exchequer, from 13 Henry III., an. 1228, to 13 George II., an. 1739, but not in a continuance of years ; miscellaneous Accounts of different reigns.

5. Sheriffs' Accounts, with Writs and Receipts for Forfeited Recognizances.

6. Miscellaneous Rolls, from Edward I. to Charles II.
7. Books and Orders of the Court of Exchequer, from 1623 to 1683.

In addition to these, all of which are public documents, and many of them belong to the series of Records at the Rolls Office, Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, and Exchequer, there are also preserved in the Bermingham Tower the following Manuscript Collections:—

1. Lodge's Manuscripts (containing abstracts of Records, chiefly from the Chancery Rolls), which were purchased by the Government from his Representatives in 1778, and kept as State Papers in the Chief Secretary's Office.
2. Population Returns of 1821.
3. The Transcripts and Manuscript compilations of the Irish Record Commission from 1810 to 1830, sent by the Irish Government to the Bermingham Tower, when that Commission became extinct.

APPENDIX No. 3. ELEVATIONS of TREASURY BAYS.

APPENDIX No. 4. PAGE of TRANSFER BOOK.*

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

RECORDS to be removed from

Room.	Press.	Shelf.	Description of Documents.	Dimensions.			Destination in Record Treasury.		
				Length.	Depth.	Height.	Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

APPENDIX No. 5. DELIVERY SHEET.

For the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE of IRELAND.

Sent from the day of 186 .

Load No.	Name of Bearer.	Description of Documents.	To be deposited in		
			Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

Deposited the above

* For the principle of this very useful form of Schedule the Deputy Keeper is indebted to John J. Bond, esq., Assistant Keeper, Public Record Office, London.

APPENDIX No. 6.

DUBLIN.—PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, CUSTOM HOUSE BUILDINGS.

TABLE OF FEES.

	£	s.	d.
1. For every Surround traced from the Down Survey, Trustees' Survey, or other Map, of whatever area, but never to exceed in the whole 10s., A Trace of each Parish is liable to a 10s. fee.	0	2	6
2. Searches in Down Survey, Trustees' Survey, or other Maps, per Map,	0	1	0
3. Searches in First Fruits, or other Records, in any single document,	0	1	0
Searches in any number of same series,	0	5	0
4. Copies of Conveyances of Quit, Crown, and Composition Rents, and of Crown Lands, per 10 George IV., c. 50, section 73. For every seventy-two words,	0	1	0
5. Copies of all other Records, per 15 Vic., c. 99, section 14. For every ninety words,	0	0	4
6. For attendance of an Officer in Court, with any number of Records, per diem, in addition to travelling expenses incurred,	2	2	0
7. For Re-comparison and Re-attestation, half original fees.			

APPENDIX No. 7.

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.—INSTRUCTIONS by the Right Hon. the MASTER of the ROLLS in IRELAND, as to the DUTIES to be performed by the OFFICERS employed in the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

1. The Deputy Keeper will direct and organize the transfer of the Documents—their arrangement, classification, and calendaring; will examine and certify copies of Records in the absence of the Assistant Deputy; will submit his annual report for the approval of the Master of the Rolls, on the 1st of December in each year; and will superintend all persons employed in the Public Record Office, and the general business of the office, subject to such directions as he shall from time to time receive from the Master of the Rolls.

2. The Assistant Deputy Keeper will examine and certify copies of Records; will see the Records replaced and the keys delivered to the persons in charge, at the closing of the office daily; will, to applicants for searches and inspection of Records, give all convenient information and assistance, and will act for the Deputy Keeper in his absence.

3. The Secretary will, under the directions of the Deputy Keeper, conduct the correspondence of the department; check and control the accounts of the office; and perform such duties connected with the transfer and calendaring of the Records and Documents as shall from time to time be required by the Deputy Keeper.

4. The Senior and Junior First Clerks will assist the Deputy and Assistant Deputy Keeper in examining copies of Records; and will, to applicants for searches and inspection of Records, give all convenient information and assistance; and such one of them as shall from time to

time be appointed to that duty by the Deputy Keeper, will, in an Attendance Book, keep the accounts of the daily attendance and employment of the officers and servants, receive all cash for fees, and make all disbursements for wages of workmen, and other outgoings.

5. The Second Class Clerks and Junior Clerks will transcribe the Records of which copies may be required; and where any Record shall be of a difficult nature, requiring special knowledge, will obtain the assistance of the superior officers.

6. In the preparation for, and during, the transfer and arrangement of the Records, all the officers will perform such duties as shall from time to time be assigned to them by the Deputy Keeper.

General Instructions.

7. No officer or person employed in the Public Record Office shall act as a Record Agent for individuals.

8. No officer or person employed in the Public Record Office shall publish or make any use of any Record, or of knowledge acquired in the performance of his official duties, otherwise than for the discharge of those duties, except with the permission in writing of the Master of the Rolls.

9. Every officer when not engaged in the performance of the special duties above directed, will occupy himself under the directions of the Deputy Keeper; and the duties above prescribed will be liable to be altered from time to time, as the service of the department may require, and as may be directed by the Master of the Rolls.

APPENDIX No. 8.

TRANSFER SHEET.

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

CHANCERY.

RECORDS to be transferred from REPOSITORIES of Master —.

Enumer- ator's Number.	Title of Cause or Matter.	Description of Box, Bundle, or Documents.	DIMENSIONS.			Destination in Record Treasury.		
			Length.	Breadth.	Height.			
			Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Bay.	Shelf.	Sub- Number.

[The dark lines above indicate the red and the lighter represent the blue in the forms in use.]

APPENDIX No. 9.

INSTRUCTIONS for preparing the RECORDS in the REPOSITORIES of MASTER — for TRANSFER to the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

For general description of contents see printed paper entitled "Contents of Record Repositories."

Mr. — one of the chief clerks will conduct the preparation for transfer, with the assistance of —, who will perform the manual labour of attaching labels, bundling documents, &c. Mr. — will commence by labelling with the larger label, having the blank panel at the right hand side, in consecutive numerical order, the several boxes, placing the labels as nearly as the lettering on the boxes will admit, in the middle of the front, at the bottom, so that all the labels may appear in line when the boxes shall be placed on the shelves.

When all the boxes are labelled, Mr. — will enter on the transfer sheets, in consecutive numerical order, the several matters (except "Destinations") indicated at head of the columns, copying the titles of the causes and matters from the lettering, in the following form, as nearly as may be, for example:—

Hart *v.* Dixon ;
Williams and others *v.* Kane ;
Sidney (Executors of) *v.* Sproule and others ;
Cunningham Minors ;

taking care that the leading capital letters be boldly and distinctly written. In the "Description" column the leading word descriptive of the Record will in all cases be placed first, as—

Deeds, Box.
Interrogatories, Bundles.
Papers (misc.), Bundle.

These entries will be written on the alternate lines coloured blue. As the transfer sheets are filled up, they will be cut into slips along the red lines. These slips will be distributed into separate heaps, alphabetically, according to the leading letters of the titles. When all the boxes shall have been thus labelled, and entered on the transfer sheets, the slips will be arranged in detailed dictionary order, and will then be pasted into the Transfer Book in such order. The Transfer Book will then be handed to the Deputy Keeper, who will fill up the column of "Destinations," and hand back the book to Mr. —.

Mr. — will then see the small labels corresponding to the destinations so given, pasted on the blank panel of each larger label, and the boxes will be ready for transfer. A warrant will then be procured authorizing the transfer of Master — Records, and the transfer of the boxes will proceed according to further instructions, which will be given by the Deputy Keeper.

APPENDIX No. 10.

WARRANT for the REMOVAL to the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE of IRELAND of the RECORDS, BOOKS, and DOCUMENTS, deposited in the RECORD REPOSITORIES hereinafter mentioned, in the care of EDWARD LITTON, Esq., one of the Masters in Ordinary of the Court of Chancery of Ireland.

Whereas the Records, Books, and Documents, now deposited in a certain muniment room on the north side of the basement story, and in certain presses in the Court and Examiner's Office of the said Master,

and in a certain muniment room adjoining said Examiner's Office on the east side thereof, on the first floor, and in two certain muniment rooms on the south side of the corridor of the second floor of that block of the new buildings, at the rear of the Four Courts, at present occupied by the Master in Ordinary and Taxing Masters of the Court of Chancery, under the care and charge of the said Edward Litton, esq., are by the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," committed to the custody of the Master of the Rolls in Ireland for the time being, for the purposes of said Act. And whereas, it appears to me to be to the public advantage that the said Records, Books, and Documents, should be removed to the Public Record Office. Now I, the Right Honorable John Edward Walsh, Master of the Rolls in Ireland, do hereby, under and by virtue of the provisions of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, order and direct the said Edward Litton, esq., to allow all and every the Records, Books, and Documents, in the said rooms and repositories now being, and also all such Calendars, Indexes, Repertories, and keys thereof, as may be in his charge, to be removed by Samuel Ferguson, esq., the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, and his assistants, from their said present places of custody, and deposited in the said Public Record Office, there to remain, under the charge of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland for the time being, until further order, provided that the said Edward Litton, esq., shall retain, and also shall be at liberty from time to time, to recall and keep for such time as may be requisite, and no longer, such of the said Records, Books, and Documents, as shall be necessary for the transacting of the current business of the Court and Office of the said Edward Litton, esq., and shall deliver and redeliver the same, from time to time, when and as they shall cease to be so necessary into the said Public Record Office as aforesaid.

Dated at the Rolls Office, Dublin, this 16th day of January, 1868.

(Signed),

JOHN E. WALSH,
Master of the Rolls in Ireland.

APPENDIX No. 11.

WARRANT for the REMOVAL to the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE of IRELAND of the RECORDS, BOOKS, and DOCUMENTS, deposited in the RECORD REPOSITORIES hereinafter mentioned, in the care of WILLIAM BROOKE, Esq., one of the Masters in Ordinary of the Court of Chancery of Ireland.

Whereas the Records, Books, and Documents, now deposited in a certain muniment room on the south side of the first-floor corridor, and also in a certain other muniment room on the south side of the second-floor corridor, and also in certain presses in the court of the said William Brooke, esq., in that block of the new buildings at the rear of the Four Courts, at present occupied by the Masters in Ordinary and Taxing Masters of the Court of Chancery, under the care and charge of the said William Brooke, esq., are by the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," committed to the custody of the Master of the Rolls in Ireland, for the time being, for the purposes of the said

Act. And whereas, it appears to me that it will be to the public advantage that the said Records, Books, and Documents, should be removed to the Public Record Office. Now I, the Right Honorable John Edward Walsh, Master of the Rolls in Ireland, do hereby, under and by virtue of the provisions of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, order and direct the said William Brooke, esq., to allow all and every the Records, Books, and Documents, in the said rooms and repositories now being, and also all such Calendars, Indexes, Repertories, and keys thereof, as may be in his care, to be removed by Samuel Ferguson, esq., the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, and his assistants, from their said present places of custody, and deposited in the said Public Record Office, there to remain under the charge of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, for the time being, until further order, provided that the said William Brooke, esq., shall retain, and also shall be at liberty from time to time, to recall and keep for such time as may be requisite, and no longer, such of the said Records, Books, and Documents, as shall be necessary for the transacting of the current business of the Court and Office of the said William Brooke, esq., and shall deliver and redeliver the same, from time to time, when and as they shall cease to be so necessary, into the said Public Record Office as aforesaid.

Dated at the Rolls Office, Dublin, this 16th day of January, 1868.

(Signed),

JOHN E. WALSH,

Master of the Rolls in Ireland.

APPENDIX No. 12.
FORM OF RECALL AND REDELIVERY DOCKET.

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

RECALLED

To Repositories of Master
of

18

Number.	Description.	Place in Record Treasury.		
		Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

Redelivered into Public Record Office,

of 18

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

FOR REDELIVERY

From Repositories of Master
into Public Record Office.

Number.	Description.	Place in Record Treasury.		
		Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

Not being now necessary for the current business of Master ordered to be delivered into the Public Record Office until further order.

Dated of 18

Received, of 18

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

FOR RECALL

To Repositories of Master
of

18

Number.	Description.	Place in Record Treasury.		
		Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

Being necessary for the current business of Master ordered to be retained until further order.

Received,

of 18

APPENDIX No. 13.

FORM OF RETAINER and DELIVERY DOCKET.

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

RETAINED

In Repositories of Master
of 18

Number.	Description.	Destination in Record Treasury.		
		Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

Delivered into Public Record Office,

of 18

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

FOR DELIVERY

From Repositories of Master
into Public Record Office.

Number.	Description.	Destination in Record Treasury.		
		Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

Not being now necessary for the current
business of Master ordered to be
delivered into the Public Record Office until
further order.

Received, of 18

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.

RETAINED

In Repositories of Master
of 18

Number	Description.	Destination in Record Treasury.		
		Bay.	Shelf.	Sub-Number.

Being necessary for the current business
of Master ordered to be retained
until further order.

Dated of 18

APPENDIX No. 14.

PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867.—TABLE of FEES chargeable at the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

	£	s.	d.
For authenticated copies, per folio of 72 words—			
Documents to the end of the reign of George II.,	0	1	0
Documents after the reign of George II.,	0	0	6
For inspecting any Document, Book, or Roll,	0	1	0
(No charge for inspecting Index Books in Search Room.)			

When applications are made for copies or inspections by any public department, the fees on which, if paid, would be a charge on the public, the foregoing fees are not to be charged.

The Deputy Keeper of the Records may, at his discretion, permit inspections to be made without charge, on a certificate that such inspections are for an exclusively literary purpose.

For attendance in any Court with a Record, . . . 2 2 0

The officer to be paid his reasonable expenses.

No record to be taken out of the Public Record Office without the written permission of the Master of the Rolls.

The Fees chargeable at late Landed Estates Record Office, Custom House, continue as heretofore until further order.

(Signed,)

JOHN E. WALSH, M.R.

APPENDIX No. 15.

LETTER from the DEPUTY KEEPER to the Right Hon. the MASTER of the ROLLS.

Public Record Office,
22nd Nov., 1867.

SIR,—I beg leave to report for your Honor's information that, on the 19th inst., I, on your Honor's behalf, received from the Commissioners of Public Works, through their architect, Mr. Owen, possession of the Public Record Office Building.

Your Honor is aware that part of the Record House has been temporarily allocated as a Court and offices for the Vice-Chancellor of Ireland; and that the large apartment designed for the Public Room of the Record Office has been fitted up as his Lordship's Court, and is now so occupied.

Your Honor is also aware that, so soon as the Records now deposited in the Rolls Record Room shall have been transferred to the Record Treasury here, the Rolls Record Room is to be converted permanently into a court and offices for the Vice-Chancellor, so as to leave the whole of this building applicable to the purposes for which it has been erected.

The Rolls Record Room contains 1,408 shelves of Bills and Answers, each shelf containing several stones weight of parchment. There are, in other parts of the Rolls Office, and in the Equity Exchequer Repositories, 1,007 shelves of the same class of documents, all of which ought to be arranged in one uniform classification in the new Record Treasury.

The internal fittings of the Record Treasury are completed only along portion of each side of the hall. They have been designed for mutual support from end to end of the building. The incomplete condition in which they now are leaves them without abutment at their unfinished ends. There exists nothing to support the lateral pressure save a light iron lattice, unsupported by any continuation of joists or longitudinal bearers. One of these end lattices has already, from the weight of the floors and fittings on the finished side, sprung in the opposite direction, to the extent of an inch and a-half; and, if this deflection were increased by another inch, the floors would necessarily come down. I estimate the weight of the Bills and Answers at about 100 tons. I would not take the responsibility of placing so great a weight on the fittings in their present state. Independently of this objection to the building in its present state, there exist other considerations, with which your Honor has been already acquainted, and which I do not here detail, making it inexpedient to proceed with the transfer of the Bills and Answers till further preparation shall be made for their reception. The obvious remedy for all these inconveniences is to complete the fittings. Their completion would, by distributing the pressure from wall to wall, ensure the stability of the whole, and would afford the opportunity of making adjustments for special classes of the Records requiring particular conditions of space and light.

It is eminently desirable that these fittings should be completed before the process of transfer begins, as the presence of workmen in the hall at a future period would be extremely inconvenient. Until the difficulties above indicated are removed, I cannot transfer the Bills and Answers so as to place the Rolls Record Room at the disposal of the Board of Works. Until that room shall be converted into a court and offices for the Vice-Chancellor, the public must necessarily be debarred from the enjoyment of the Reading Room intended to be provided for them in this building, and searches must continue to be made, as heretofore, in different localities.

I would therefore respectfully request your Honor to apply to the Commissioners of Public Works to proceed with the completion of the internal fittings of the Record Treasury, with such modifications as may be approved of by their Architect and the Deputy Keeper.

I have the honour to be, sir, your very obedient servant,
(Signed,) SAMUEL FERGUSON, Deputy Keeper.

To the Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls.

APPENDIX No. 16.

LETTER from the DEPUTY KEEPER to the Right Hon. the MASTER
of the ROLLS.

Public Record Office, Dublin,
7th April, 1868.

SIR,—In reference to my conversation with your Honor yesterday on the necessity of removing the contents of the Rolls Record Repository, so as to make room for the construction of a Court for the Vice-Chancellor, and thereby place the apartment now used as Vice-Chancellor's Court at the disposal of this office for the purposes contemplated by the Act, I beg leave to state—

I am able, and would undertake, with the present staff and fittings, to transfer the Rolls collection to a place of temporary deposit on the

existing shelves in the Treasury here, with safety to the Records and means of reference and access to them, by the month of August next.

But as the measure of safety in point of removal from combustible matter would not much exceed that of their present place of deposit, and in point of non-contact with injurious substances would not equal it, and as the means of reference and access would be very much inferior to the existing facilities, and such as could not be continued with credit to the Department, I would not wish to enter on such a transfer without a distinct assurance that it will not be regarded by the Executive authorities as other than a temporary measure to meet the exigencies of a particular and pressing public necessity.

Until the structure at the right-hand side of the Treasury Hall is stayed, as mentioned in a former letter to your Honor on that subject,* I would not take the responsibility of loading it, either temporarily or permanently, with the Rolls collection, but would place the collection in the nearer bays on the left-hand side, to be removed, as soon as conveniently can be, to its permanent place of deposit on the curial side of the Hall, as I shall be able to get the fittings on that side adjusted for its satisfactory reception.

In these adjustments I contemplate reducing the quantity of inflammable matter to a minimum, and giving special accommodation to that class of documents the exceptional size of which prevents their convenient reception in the present shelves.

I would, therefore, request your Honor to take such steps as may be necessary to insure the department against being hereafter held to the temporary arrangement now contemplated; for which purpose I would humbly suggest to your Honor that, if this communication meet your Honor's approval, it might with advantage be communicated to the Lords of Her Majesty's Treasury.

I am, sir, your very obedient servant,

(Signed,) SAMUEL FERGUSON,
Deputy Keeper of the Records.

To the Right Hon. the Master
of the Rolls.

APPENDIX No. 17.

LETTER from SECRETARY of TREASURY to the Right Hon. the
MASTER of the ROLLS, dated 13th May, 1868.

(Copy.)

Treasury Chambers, 13th May, 1868.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 25th ultimo, transmitting a communication from the Deputy Keeper of the Records relative to the necessity of removing the contents of the Rolls Record Repository, I am desired by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to state that they approve of the removal of the Records referred to as a temporary measure until they can be finally arranged in a suitable manner.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed,) GEO. A. HAMILTON.

The Master of the Rolls, Ireland.

* 22nd November, 1867.

APPENDIX No. 18.

PLAN of PRESSES in LOWER ROLLS RECORD ROOM.

APPENDIX No. 19.

PLAN of MEZZANINE PRESSES in LOWER ROLLS RECORD ROOM.

APPENDIX No. 20.

PLAN of UPPER ROLLS RECORD ROOM.

APPENDIX No. 21.

EXTRACT from REPORT of J. J. DIGGES LA TOUCHE, Esq., Assistant Deputy Keeper, dated 30th November, 1868, of Proceedings in preparation for TRANSFER and REMOVAL of RECORDS of REGISTRARS' OFFICE, CHANCERY.

This collection was kept in 128 lock-up presses in three rooms called Mr. Buchanan's Room, Mr. Smith's Room, and the Writing-Clerks' Office, situated in the east wing of the east quadrangle of the Four Courts, and was in very fair condition and almost uninjured by damp. I have separated these Records in this Report for greater convenience of detail into the two great classes into which, from their nature, they may be said to divide themselves, viz., "Entry Books" (which I shall treat first of), and "Original Documents," both bound and unbound.

Entry Books.

I shall divide these into Court Books and Office Books according as they were kept in Court or in the office of the Registrar, although in earlier times the distinction between the two was not very strictly adhered to.

The Court Books consist of the following series, viz. :—

Motions Hearings,	from 1669 to 1730, in	56 vols.
Motion,	" 1730 " 1848, "	279 "
Chancery Motions,	" 1835 " 1850, "	4 "
Chancery Hearings,	" 1729 " 1848, "	99 "
Rolls Hearings,	" 1802 " 1848, "	19 "
Chancery Petition Hearings,	" 1843 " 1850, "	3 "
Rolls Petition Hearings,	" 1835 " 1848, "	25 "

I purpose now to go through the above list *seriatim*, stating any particulars that may be useful for the purpose hereafter of more easy reference thereto, and the better understanding its details. These books are all, without exception, in very good condition, and their different series are very perfect; they were all kept and written in Court from day to day, being rough minutes from which several of the "Office" books were made up.

Motions Hearings

commence on 6th June, 1669, and end, for Hearings, on 28th April, 1729, and for Motions on 16th May, 1730, from which dates respectively this series is carried on in the two separate series of "Hearing Books" and "Motion Books," and contains the Court Minutes of Motions and Hearings in both Chancery and Rolls Courts. Volume (No. 15) 1681-1682, is missing. Each volume has an Alphabetical Index to the names of causes. (*Vide* also the "Order Books.")

Motion Books

commence (*vide infra*) on 16th May, 1730, and contain the Court Minutes of Interlocutory Motions before the Chancellor and Master of the Rolls up to 12th January, 1835, from which date this series contains the Rolls Court Minutes alone; a separate book being kept for the Chancery Minutes, called the Chancery Motion Books, indexed as above.

Chancery Motion Books

commence 12th January, 1835, and contain Minutes of Motions in the Court of Chancery, indexed as above.

Chancery Hearing Books

contain Court Minutes of Hearings in the Court of Chancery from 28th April, 1729, indexed as above.

Rolls Hearing Books

commence 2nd July, 1802, at which time by 41st George III., cap. 25, the Master of the Rolls was first made a Judicial Officer, and contain the Rolls Court Minutes of Hearings on Decrees; previous to this Act the Master of the Rolls only heard Decrees *pro confesso*, and on demurrers and exceptions. Indexed as above.

Chancery Petition Hearing Books

contain the Court Minutes on Hearings of Petitions in Chancery and only commence 19th April, 1843, although the 9th General Order of 29th November, 1834, ordered that a Hearing Book in each Court be specially kept for Petitions. This series seems to have been continued from the Chancery Motion Books. Indexed as above.

Rolls Petition Hearing Books

commence 12th January, 1835, being kept in pursuance of the above-mentioned General Order for the Petition hearings in the Rolls Court. Indexed as above. The Office Books consist of the following series, viz. :

Order or Full Entry Books,	from 1588 to 1848 in 529 vols.
Rule Books,	„ 1827 „ 1848 „ 41 „
Petition Rule Books,	„ 1823 „ 1837 „ 59 „
Pleadings Books (quarto),	„ 1717 „ 1808 „ 15 „
Pleadings Books (folio),	„ 1639 „ 1835 „ 64 „
Appearances,	„ 1745 „ 1845 „ 47 „
Attachment Books,	„ 1739 „ 1847 „ 39 „
Draft Books,	„ 1833 „ 1851 „ 16 „
Day (Cash) Books,	„ 1829 „ 1834 „ 12 „
Docket Books for Side Bar Rules,	„ 1837 „ 1850 „ 91 „
Bespeak Books,	„ 1843 „ 1850 „ 40 „

Order or Full Entry Books

commence on 20th October, 1588, and the first volume ends on 7th January, 1589; then there is a gap to the year 1602; then to 1609; then to 1620; and from thence the gaps appear comparatively few. From 1699, in which year the numbering of the volumes consecutively first commences, volumes 15 (circa 1712), 103 (circa 1746), 122 (circa 1755), and 417 (circa 1847), are alone missing. This series of books contains the Orders of the Court of Chancery made out *in extenso* in the Registrars' Office from the minutes taken in Court; unfortunately instead of being thus made out in the order in which they were originally made, the practice was not to make the full entries until such time as the party bespoke a copy of the order, so that an order of 1750 may appear in any Order or Full Entry Book of any year subsequent, which makes searching the books a very tedious and unsatisfactory process, although each volume from 1638 has an alphabetical index to the titles of the causes in which the orders are made. Of late years it has been the practice to enter in the margin of the minute of the order in the Motions, Hearings, or Petition Motions or Hearings Book a memorandum stating the number of the Order or Full Entry Book in which the order

in question is made out *in extenso*, a practice which I need scarcely say facilitates searching. The shortest way to search for an order to which you have not a correct full reference, is to search first the Court Book, in which the original minute was made, and thence refer to the Full Entry Book. Up to 1628, as also certain volumes of 1628-30, 1629, 1630-31, and 1634-36, are not strictly "Order or Full Entry Books" in the modern sense of the term, being both Court and Office Books in one, as they contain entries of Appearances, Pleadings, Motions, and Rules as well as Orders, and up to the year 1623 they contain, in addition, the returns of Writs in the Court of Chancery. The original title to volume 1609 best expresses their contents: "A Register Booke of the Actes and Entries in His Māties High Courte of Chauncerie, as alsoe of the returne of Writtes in the saide Courte."

It would thus seem that the earliest Pleadings Books are a continuation of the earlier so-called Order Books, and that it was the habit in the latter portion of the sixteenth and earlier portion of the seventeenth centuries, certainly from about 1588 to 1636, to enter appearances and pleadings with the Registrar in the one general book, along with the Court Minutes; after which they were entered in a book by themselves, the earlier Pleadings Books containing appearances also. The practice of entering appearances with the Registrar seems to have been given up about 1671, and to have been renewed in the year 1745, as the General Order of 9th July, 1745, states, "according to the ancient practice of the Court."

The Side Bar Orders were kept in a separate book, but in the same series with the other orders, from 1846 (volume 394).

Rule Books

commence on 13th November, 1827, and contain the Minutes of Rules on motions moved by the Six Clerks, and since 1836 by solicitors in both the Rolls and Chancery Courts, and included Side Bar Rules. They were before 1827 entered daily in the Motion Books, after the other ordinary motions of the day. There is an Index in each volume to the titles of the causes.

Petition Rule Books

commence 5th November, 1823, and contain the Orders and Fiats on Petitions in both Chancery and Rolls Courts, the original Fiats being in all cases written on the original Petitions. Indexed as above.

Pleadings Books (Quarto).

This series, or rather the volumes of it that are now in existence, range from 1717 to 1808, and even between these dates there are many gaps. It is likely that these books were not very carefully preserved, as they were merely rough list books of the Pleadings under a Bill which were entered with the Registrar, and sent from day to day to the Rolls Office to be filed, where the lists were signed; corresponding books to these were kept in the Rolls Office, styled "Answer Books."

Pleadings Books

contain the entries of Pleadings under a Bill entered with the Registrar, with the Six Clerk's name, and title of the cause, and run from 23rd January, 1639, to 1835, in which latter year, by 34th General Order of

November, 1834, pleadings were no longer to be entered with the Registrar. Some of the earlier volumes contain appearances, viz. :—the volumes of 1639–1644, 1665–67, and 1670–71; and attachments, viz. the vols. 1665 to 1683. Amongst the earlier so-called “Order Books” are entries both of pleadings and appearances (*vide* “Order Books”). Prior to 1718 there seem to be several gaps, and from that date to 1835 the volumes are consecutively numbered, and vol. No. 37 (1806–7) is alone wanting. From 1670 each volume has an Alphabetical Index to the names of causes therein.

Appearance Books

are the record of appearances entered with the Registrar in pursuance of Rule, 9th July, 1745—“That all appearances be entered with the Register, according to the ancient practice of the Court” (*vide* Order and Pleading Books). These books are the duplicates of the Appearance Books kept in the Six Clerks’ Offices up to 20th October, 1836, and after that date by the 10th General Order, 10th October, 1836, under the Act 6th & 7th William IV., cap. 74, transferred to the Writ and Appearance Office, and appearances entered by solicitors instead of the Six Clerks. The practice of entering appearances with the Registrar was discontinued on 11th January, 1845, pursuant to the 5th General Order, 3rd January, 1845. Indexed as above.

Two small quarto volumes, from 17th May, 1794, to 9th February, 1809, contain parliamentary appearances, pursuant to Act 7th George II., cap. 14, which appearances are afterwards entered along with the other appearances.

Attachment Books

commence 9th June, 1739, and contain entries of attachments issued, with the title of the cause, against whom they are issued, the reason why, and the Six Clerk’s or solicitor’s name. They are indexed in the title of the cause. Volume 29 (*circa* 1828) is missing. Attachments are entered in the Pleading Books from 1665 to 1683, but I cannot find where the Attachment Books between 1683 and 1739 are; perhaps, as with appearances, the practice of entering them died out until 1739; but there is no statement to that effect, and the first Attachment Book appears to be merely the continuation of a series, although it is numbered Volume I.

Draft Books.

Day (Cash) Books.

Docket Books for Side Bar Rules.

Bespeak Books.

These last four series come under the head of Private Office Books, the Draft Books containing a daily list of the drafts signed by the Registrar, and the Day Books being the journals of the cash received for fees. The Side Bar Docket Books are the Bespeak Books for Side Bar Orders, and the Bespeak Books contain the orders for copies bespoken by solicitors.

All the foregoing series of books have been placed in Bay 1 M of the Record Treasury, in the chronological order of their different series, and are so entered in the Transfer Books, which thus form a complete index thereto.

Original Documents (both bound and unbound),

form the other class into which, for the purposes of my Report, I have divided this collection, and contain the following :—

Lords' Orders (1st May, 1809, to 2nd Nov., 1848),	1 vol.
Decrees, . . . 1715 to 1834,	364 „
Decrees, . . . 1835 „ 1848 (2nd series),	76 „
Petitions, . . . 1700 „ 1843,	1,001 bundles.
Petitions, . . . 1843 „ 1848,	55 vols.
Reports, . . . 1715 „ 1843,	668 bundles.
Reports, . . . 1843 „ 1848,	58 vols.
Accounts, . . . 1831 „ 1843,	154 bundles.
Accounts, . . . 1843 „ 1848,	95 vols.
Consents, &c. . . 1740 „ 1843,	345 bundles.
Consents, &c. . . 1843 „ 1848,	23 vols.
Masters' Certificates, 1843 „ 1848,	11 „
Exceptions, . . . 1777 „ 1843,	22 bundles.
Exceptions, . . . 1843 „ 1848,	3 vols.
Writs of Attachment, &c. 1748 (?) 1848,	4 „
Commissions of Perambulation and Award, 1682 „ 1848.	
Depositions, . . . 1681 „ 1848.	
Exhibits.	

The unbound portion of the above runs from the earliest times to the 19th April, 1843, when all classes of Records were bound by order of the Lord Chancellor, Sir E. Sugden (the present Lord St. Leonards). These Records are in general written upon paper, doubled up twice, and tied in bundles, according to their year and the initial letter of their cause. Prior to 1750 the different series are very irregular (many gaps occurring), but from that date they may be said to be very fairly regular; and I have no doubt that, when they are all carefully gone through and collated, many chasms that at present seem to exist will disappear. The different series are now being cleaned, flattened out, pressed, and put into portfolios, which will defend them from dust, and enable them to be preserved in the same manner as those which are bound.

Binding would have been much more expensive, and as some of these Records were written up to the very edge of the paper, it would have encroached upon the writing. Some of the earlier ones, also, were in too tender and friable a condition to bear binding, while they will be preserved perfectly in portfolios. In this Report they are treated of exactly as they came from the Registrars' office, as it will be some months yet before the collating, &c., can be completed. Prior to 1843 (Decrees excepted) there are no Indices. All the bound portion of this class has been placed in Bay 1 M, and the rest, with the exception of the Petitions, down to the end of letter I (1843) in Bay 1 N. In entering these unbound Records in the Transfer Books, care has been taken to enter the several bundles in chronological order under their initial letters, so that they may prove practical Indices for office use.

Lords' Orders.

This volume is entitled "Lords' Original Orders," and contains the Orders of the House of Lords in Irish Chancery Appeal cases, signed by the Clerk of Parliament. The volume is indexed under the titles of the causes.

Decrees

are bound in two series, the first running from about the year 1750 (there being but a few Decrees prior to that date—the earliest, of 1715) to 12th January, 1835. Each volume contains Decrees under the one initial letter in chronological order, and has an Index to the titles of Decrees it contains: the volumes under each initial letter are numbered consecutively in a separate series. These Decrees are made up according to the old practice, when the Pleadings, &c., in the cause were set out at full length or nearly so. There are three (and I think there ought to be four) volumes of Decrees belonging to this series, under various letters and of various dates, which, I presume, were omitted when the rest were bound. I give their titles here—D, G, J, K, O, Vol. I., 1829–32; Q, Y, Vol. I., 1757–1829; and P, R, S, W, Vol. II., 1827–34. I presume there must have been a Vol. I. unless “Vol. II.” is a mistake in the lettering. The second series commences on 12th January, 1835, and the Decrees in it contain, in pursuance of the 132nd General Order of November, 1834, merely a short statement of the case, with the dates of the Pleadings, &c., in addition to the curial or ordering part of the Decree, and are bound in chronological order according to the dates on which the Decrees were signed. An Alphabetical Index to the titles is attached to each volume. To both series there is a separate general Index to the titles of the Decrees. It may be mentioned here that these Decrees are all enrolled amongst the Records of the Rolls Office, and that the enrolments go back as far as the 28th Henry VIII., to which enrolments there is a Repertory made by the late Record Commissioners, and a perfect Index both of the names and places mentioned therein.

Petitions.

The earliest bundles of these are—1696–1717, letter L; 1700–4, C; and 1700–42, Q, V, and Y—but the earliest of some letters is in the year 1750. It will be impossible to state with certainty whether even the above dates are the earliest that exist until all the bundles of Records from the Registrars' Office shall be opened and collated. The original fiat of the Chancery Judge is written in all cases on the Petitions themselves, so that they are in a double sense Records. Some of the earlier bundles have suffered much at one end from damp, as if they had stood on their ends in water (the mark of which can be plainly traced thereon) and suffered to dry, and the damp has eaten away a part completely, and rendered portion of the rest very friable; but laying them flat in portfolios will, I have no doubt, prove the best way of preserving them from further decay. From the year 1840 there is a daily list, kept alphabetically, of the Petitions filed. Prior to the time (19th April, 1843) when these documents were bound, if you require to see a Petition, you must search the bundle of its particular initial letter and year.

Under this system of keeping Records in bundles, under their initial letter and year, it must be borne in mind that there not being a bundle for any particular year and letter may only arise from no document having been filed in that year in that particular initial letter. This remark applies equally to all the Records of the Registrars' Office thus kept in bundles.

Reports

are written on all sizes of paper, and contain amongst them all the Ac-

counts prior to 1831, except two bundles, viz., B 1774 and M 1821, together with the following various documents :—

Masters' Certificates.
 Accountant-General's Certificates.
 Consents.
 Submissions.
 Awards.
 Releases (from Recognizances).
 Cases (sent from Chancery for the opinion of the Common Law Courts).
 Writs of Injunction, Sequestration, and Attachment.
 Masters' Returns.
 Articles of Impeachment of the Credibility of Witnesses.
 Articles in support of Credibility of Witnesses.
 Judges' Certificates.
 Opinions of Six Clerks on points submitted to them.
 Petitions.

It would thus seem that along with the Reports are mixed many documents that one would not expect to find under that head, and *that* to a much greater extent than would be accounted for by their going astray, though that may account for some ; and I believe it was the practice in the Registrars' Office to put all heterogeneous documents that were not sufficiently numerous to form a class by themselves amongst the Reports. (*Vide* "Consents" on this point.)

There are only three bundles of Reports prior to 1750, viz., A, 1746-61 ; B, 1715-49 ; and C, 1737-49 ; from which date they seem to be almost without a gap. There is a daily alphabetical list of them from November, 1844.

Accounts.

The series under this head commences in 1831, there being two bundles prior to that date, and the rest being kept along with the Reports (*vide supra*). From January, 1835, there is a daily list of the Accounts filed and the balances due thereon, with an Alphabetical Index.

Consents, Submissions, and Awards.

These three are kept under the one head of "Consents," and are in bundles under their initial letters, from 1740 to 1843 ; prior to 1800 they are very irregular, and contain, like the Reports, several documents beside the three usually included, viz. :—

Commissions for Minors to elect Guardians.
 Masters' Certificates.
 Orders for Reference.
 Petitions.
 Writs of Sequestration.

There is a daily Alphabetical List of them from November, 1844.

Masters' Certificates.

Prior to April, 1843, there is no separate series of them, but I think they will be found preserved among the Reports and Consents.

Exceptions,

of which there are very few, run from 1777, which is the earliest date I have been able to find; some of them are written on parchment.

Note.—The last six classes of documents, from 19th April, 1843, are bound in volumes according to the sequence of their dates, each volume having an Alphabetical Index to the titles of the causes. Among the series of bound Consents, there is a volume lettered "Miscellaneous," which contains various documents, of various dates subsequent to April, 1843, namely, Consents, Reports, Petitions, Awards, Masters' Certificates, Accounts, Commissions to examine married women, and Exceptions. This volume is indexed like the rest, and appears to contain such documents as were overlooked when the different series were being bound.

Writs of Attachment, &c.

Under this head, I have included all manner of Writs that were returned to this Office, such as Writs of Attachment, Injunction, Sequestration, &c., all which are written on parchment, and with the exception of the four volumes mentioned below, are utterly unarranged, both as regards date and title, and are contained in three sacks; it would, I submit, be a waste of time to arrange them, as they can be of no practical use. Neither their title, nature, or date, can be ascertained without reading them through. It must be borne in mind that the only Writs in this Office are those on which a return has been made. The first date amongst those which are bound, is 28th June, 1748, but there are really only a few bound prior to April, 1843. The volumes are indexed, and the Writs arranged in the order of their respective dates.

Commissions of Perambulation and Award, and the Returns thereto.

These are written for the most part on parchment, and include, in many cases, Maps. The earliest appears to be in 1682; there is a complete Alphabetical Index to them kept irrespective of dates.

Commissions to examine, and the Depositions thereon.

Of these there is a great number, a large proportion of which seem not to have been opened further than was necessary to ascertain the title and date.

The Commissions and Depositions, written on parchment, are generally tied together, and annexed to the Commission are the Commissioner's and Clerk's oaths. The earliest that at present exists is dated in 1681; these I have had arranged in alphabetical order, and a complete Index made to their titles, irrespective of their dates.

Exhibits.

Under this head, I have included various documents, books, and other matters that have been used in Court, and deposited from time to time with the Registrar, and never returned to the parties to whom they belonged. They are not, correctly speaking "Records," as they are private property. In addition to the above, there are Rule Books, Hearing Books, and Petitions of the Equity Exchequer, of which, as there is only a portion in this collection, I shall treat in my Report of the Equity Exchequer Records at a future date. It would, I consider,

only lead to confusion to report on the Records of that Court bit by bit, as we get portions of it into this office from the various offices to which, on the merging of that Court in the Court of Chancery in the year 1850, they were transferred, and which offices, as a rule, generally bestowed less attention on these Records than on those more peculiarly their own. In many instances, from the want of room, some of these Exchequer Records were only nominally transferred, and not actually.

APPENDIX No. 22.

EXTRACT from the REPORT of J. J. DIGGES LA TOUCHE, Esq., Assistant Deputy Keeper, dated the 25th September, 1868, of Proceedings in the preparation for TRANSFER and REMOVAL of the RECORDS in the AFFIDAVIT OFFICE, CHANCERY.

This collection was contained in two rooms, called Mr. Brady's room and the Affidavit Office room.

It consists entirely of Affidavits filed in Chancery suits from the year 1668 to 1848, and of Affidavits in Lunacy Matters up to the year 1786, and is in very perfect order and arrangement. It may be divided into three portions, viz., one from 1678 to 1799, another from 1799 to April, 1843, and a third from April, 1843 to 1848.

The first portion is arranged, under the initial letters of the suits in which the several Affidavits are filed, in chronological order, being tied in small bundles, containing each generally a year's Affidavits, and labelled with the initial letters and years.

The second portion is arranged, year by year, under initial letters, and is also tied in bundles, labelled with the month or months, year, and initial letter.

The third portion is bound in volumes, with an Alphabetical Index at the commencement of each.

There are 6,496 bundles of Affidavits, from 1668 to April, 1843, all which have been carefully dusted, and tied in 789 parcels, covered with brown paper, and labelled on the outside, the old labels and order being still preserved.

The Affidavits bound in volumes consist altogether of 181 books, and were so bound in accordance with a general order of Lord St. Leonards (then Sir E. Sugden), dated in 1843.

To these Affidavits there are no indices, unless a diurnal list, arranged under the letters of the alphabet, giving the name of the cause, the deponent, the date of swearing, the date of filing of each Affidavit, from 1836 to April, 1843, can be so called.

Arrangement in Record Treasury.

Affidavits from A	1668 to W	1711, in Bay 1 N,	shelves 131 to 137.
"	"	W 1711	" 1843, " 1 O, " 1 " 13.
Affidavits bound	1843	" 1848, " 1 O,	" 15 and 16.

N.B.—The greater portion of the Affidavits of the Equity side of the Exchequer belong to this office, and will be treated of in a future report.

APPENDIX No. 23.

EXTRACT from the REPORT of HENRY F. BERRY, Esq., dated 11th December, 1868, of Proceedings in preparation for TRANSFER and REMOVAL of RECORDS in the RECOGNIZANCE OFFICE, CHANCERY.

These Records were contained in twelve presses, but no particular order had been observed in their arrangement; hence, in obedience to our instructions on the "Day Roll of Duties," "To enter in Transfer Book the original Recognizances in order of their numbers," we had the presses themselves numbered irregularly, so as to follow the sequence of the Recognizances. This proceeding, though running counter to the "Instructions for Transfer," was adopted at your own suggestion, and in this instance, proved of great utility, enabling us to arrange the Documents with greater ease.

The Records of the department consisted of the following, viz. :—

Original Recognizances,
Orders to Vacate,
Certified Copies of Recognizances,
Requisitions for Searches,
Recognizance Rolls,
Index Books,

and of each class I shall treat in the foregoing order.

Original Recognizances.

These were made up in yearly bundles, containing on an average 100 each, and were found to be in very fair condition, and in good order. In preparing them for transfer, we had, as a rule, three of the bundles tied up together, and then wrapped in brown paper, to protect them, putting on each parcel, so made up, a label, stating what it contained. After a slight calculation, I should say that there are very nearly 23,000 of these Recognizances now in the Treasury, any one of which can be found in a few moments by reference to the Transfer Book.

Orders to Vacate.

were found on the tops of the presses, made up also in bundles, but from exposure to dust in that open position, they were all more or less injured, the outer ones being torn and very often illegible; the earliest belongs to the year 1754, and their series extends in very regular order from that time to 1848. These we treated in the same manner as the Recognizances, and had them made up in brown paper, each parcel of which contains four or five bundles.

Certified Copies of Recognizances

are very few in number, being contained in four small parcels, and I can only account for their presence by supposing that they were ordered by parties who never called for them.

Requisitions for Searches

were found on the press-tops with the Orders to Vacate; they are simply small dockets on files, bearing the name of the party against whom the search is made, and some few particulars of the case necessary for the search, being in most cases signed by the person making the search.

Recognizance Rolls.

These contain the enrolments of the original Recognizances lodged in the office, and like them, extend from the year 1691 to 1848; they are numbered from Roll 1, part 1, to Roll 33, part 4, there being in all ninety-one distinct Rolls. Many separate sheets, however, were found which had never been made up, and these principally belong to Rolls 22-26 inclusive, which would be from about 1800 to 1814. As an explanation of this, I find the following in the reply of Mr. Porter, Clerk of the Recognizances, to the Record Commissioners (Reports 1810-1815). "The same (*i.e.*, Recognizances) are enrolled, with the exception of an interval from 17th March, 1802, to 7th November, 1812, save such as were vacated within the said period, for the cause of which omission I cannot account, having only been in said office three months or thereabouts." From this it would seem that those Recognizances only were put upon the Roll which were vacated from time to time; as an additional explanation, I refer to the memorandum for 23rd October, 1868, in the Deputy Keeper's Diary. "At Recognizance Office, find considerable quantities of loose sheets of parchment, bearing enrolments, —some having vacates entered—some not. These irregularities appear to have arisen prior to and in the time of Mr. Walker's predecessor in the office; it seems that it had been the practice for some time during his charge of the office, not to enrol in the first instance, but on the coming in of a vacate order, to make out an enrolment *pro re nata*, and enter the vacate on it; that afterwards Mr. Porter proceeded a certain length in preparing to remedy this defect in the Rolls, by transcribing, for the purpose of being made up into a Roll, the omitted Recognizances but after some time gave up the attempt. It appears also that during some part of the same period, the practice had been to return the original Recognizances on entering Vacates, whence it has happened that hiatuses exist both in the bundles of original Recognizances and in the enrolments; I direct Mr. Tucker to make up these exceptional enrolments in bundles by themselves, intending to have them "gathered" and introduced into their proper Rolls after transfer."

I find that as yet Mr. Tucker has been unable to carry out these instructions, in consequence of his being obliged to direct the collation and arrangement of the unbound documents from the Chancery Registrars' Office, but as soon as that task is completed, he will proceed to make up and arrange the bundles of separate sheets. The Rolls in this office having been selected by you for trying experimentally a new mode of arrangement and preservation, it became necessary to mount them respectively on wooden axes or mandrels, prepared for that purpose. The insertion of their fittings necessitated the unrolling of each, and occupied Mr. Overend and myself, with two workmen, about three days; this enabled us to see what state all were in, and, as a rule, they are in good condition, especially the older ones, which are models of clear writing and careful making up. Some of the later ones seemed much torn and carelessly put together, though an exception must be made in the case of the most modern, from Roll 27 to Roll 33.

In the clearing and arranging the Records of the late Rolls Office some Recognizance Rolls were found; they are thirty in number, and include three of Henry VIII., with some of each of the kings and queens, his successors, down to the time of Charles I. From this it will be seen that our collection of Recognizance Rolls extends from the reign of Henry VIII. to the year 1848, with the exception of a gap between the time of Charles I., when those found in the Rolls Office end, and the year 1691, when the series in the Recognizance Office begins; this gap, however, we may hope to see filled up.

Index Books

include the following twenty volumes :—

Two Indexes to Rolls from 1691, which show the years to which each Roll belongs, and the numbers included on each Roll.

Four Cause Books, or books indexed merely with the titles of causes in which Recognizances were entered into, and showing also the Roll in which such title appears, with its sub-number.

Vol. 1 extends from 1691 to 1798.

" 2 " 1799 " 1800.

" 3 " 1800 " 1835.

" 4 " 1836 " 1846.

Vol. 5, which includes the years 1846–1853, has been removed to the Record and Writ Office, where the Recognizances from 1848 to the present time are to be found.

Eight Name Books, in which the names of persons entering in Recognizances, are alphabetically indexed, together with the Roll and sub-number for each name.

Vol. 1 includes Rolls 1 to 10.

" 2 " " 11 " 14.

" 3 " years 1691–1786.

" 4 " " 1786–1800.

" 5 " Rolls 22 to 23.

" 6 " " 22 " 26.

" 7 " years 1822–1842.

" 8 is a duplicate of one of the preceding.

(In both Cause and Name Books the word "vacated" is written in the margin, beside the name or case, whenever a Recognizance has been vacated.)

Six Name and Cause Books, for the six years 1809–1814. These, as their title indicates, contain both Names and Causes, but as they cover such a very short period, they are almost practically useless.

With regard to those of the above volumes that have been placed in the Search Room, Mr. Hennessy, who considers them unsatisfactory for reference, has made the following memorandum :—

"The indexes to the Recognizance Rolls of Chancery deposited in the Search Room consist of eight volumes, viz. :—Three volumes of Cause Indexes, extending from 1691 to 1842; four volumes of Name Indexes, from 1691 to 1842, and one volume, containing a List of the Recognizance Rolls, chronologically arranged, *i.e.*, showing the number of Rolls corresponding to each year."

"The form in which these Indexes have been compiled is rather inconvenient. Thus, if it be necessary to consult a Recognizance, the Searcher must look for the name of A. B. in the Name Book, where he may find several similar names, with the numbers of the Rolls in which they appear attached to each. Then he must examine the Cause Index Books, in order to find a cause title corresponding to his cause, and to the number of the Roll in which the name occurs. Having satisfied himself on these points, he must then refer to the Chronological List of Rolls, to ascertain the year in which the Recognizance was entered into. Although, as will have been observed, the working of these Indexes involves some loss of time, it would be very desirable nevertheless that they were brought down to the year 1848, pending the compilation of a more perfect and comprehensive system."

Mr. Overend and I completed the preparatory work in this office on October 24th, and the following day was spent in transferring its Records to the Treasury here, where they were temporarily placed in Bay 1 Q. The necessary preparations in Bay 3 Q, which is to be their final destination, are now almost complete, and all the Recognizance Rolls mentioned in this Report have been placed in the new fittings, with the exception of the bundles that remain to be made up.

In the inner room are four presses, filled with documents belonging to the Court of Admiralty. These have been tied up, labelled, and entered in the Transfer Book, but not yet removed.

APPENDIX No. 24.

EXTRACT from REPORT of JOHN O. OVEREND, Esq., dated October, 1868, of Proceedings in preparation for TRANSFER and REMOVAL of RECORDS of CROWN and HANAPER OFFICE, CHANCERY.

The collection occupied two rooms—No. 1, containing twenty-six, and No. 2, seventeen presses.

The Records were generally in a dry and sound condition, but in want of arrangement, Presses 3 and 4 contained some Writs and Inquisitions, the earliest being of James I. (1603). These were tied in bundles without regard to order.

I will now proceed to give a general list of the documents contained in both rooms, all of which I have had dusted, retied, and arranged when possible, in alphabetical and chronological order, so as to be easy of reference.

1. Writs of Election and Returns of Members of Parliament. These were arranged in counties during Anne's reign. This plan continued till the year 1800. From that period to the present they were placed under separate heads, viz. :—General Elections and Bye Elections.

2. Writs and Returns electing Temporal Peers from the time of the Union (1801). There was also a book containing a list of votes recorded by Peers since 1800, which has been retained by Clerk of Crown and Hanaper.

3. Commissions of Lunacy, Idiocy, &c., and Returns. These commence in Queen Anne's reign. A few of the Commissions in George II. and III.'s reign, as well as an Index, have also been retained by the Clerk of the Crown and Hanaper for the present requirements of his office.

4. Writs of Ad quod Damnum. These writs authorize the issue of patents granting fairs and markets throughout Ireland. There is no index. The earlier portion were placed on files, but from the reign of George I. they were classed in reigns.

5. Commissions of Inquiry, and Inquisitions thereunder. There are only a few of these, the earliest bearing date 1740.

6. Writs to elect Coroners, and Returns. These were in a very imperfect condition, there being often no return attached, and date from 1714.

7. Significavit and Warrants for Writs of Excommunicate Capiendo from James I. (1603). These were in very good order, but not indexed.

8. Apostles and Warrants for Commissions of Delegates from George I. (1714). These I found in good condition, but unindexed, as they are never referred to after commission passes the Great Seal.

9. Dedimus to swear in Justices of the Peace, and a number of Six-Clerk dockets, mixed together in various presses, and which, being of no use and devoid of interest, I have had placed in sacks.

10. A number of Fiant in fair condition.

11. Proclamations from Queen Anne's reign, and Warrants for sealing them.
12. A few Commissions of Valuation.
13. Warrants for Pardons.
14. Commissions to examine Witnesses before Lords Deputy and Council.
15. Writs of Ease.
16. Sheriffs' Patents. These have ceased to exist since the year 1838.
17. Warrants for superseding Magistrates.
18. Warrants of Appointment to the office of Custos Rotulorum.
19. Warrants appointing Masters Extraordinary.
20. Commissions of Array.
21. Commissions of Perambulation relating to ecclesiastical matters.
22. Commissions of Assize and Association.
23. Writs of Summons to Parliament (Irish).
24. Rolls of Allegiance from William and Mary's reign.
25. Roll of Oaths of Roman Catholic and Assistant Barristers, in good chronological order.
26. Writs of Scire Facias.

There were also a number of Special Commissions of Oyer and Terminer, Patents granting leave of absence to Lords Lieutenant and Lord Chancellors, Commissions of the Peace, &c., which the Clerk of the Crown and Hanaper has retained, supposing them to be the private property of the parties to whom they were directed.

All the aforesaid Records have been deposited in Bay 1 Q, occupying from Shelf 56 to 112, with the exception of the documents put in sacks, which are placed in Bay L press-tops, from No. 1 to 15.

APPENDIX No. 25.

WARRANT for Receipt and Charge of RECORDS in the CROWN OFFICE of the COURT of QUEEN'S BENCH.

To SAMUEL FERGUSON, esq., Q.C., LL.D., Deputy Keeper of the
Public Records in Ireland :—

Pursuant to the powers and authorities given to the Master of the Rolls in Ireland, by the statute made and passed in the Parliament held in the thirtieth and thirty-first years of the Reign of Her present Majesty, Queen Victoria, entitled "The Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," I, the Right Honorable John Edward Walsh, Master of the Rolls in Ireland, do hereby, with the approbation of the Right Honorable Abraham Brewster, Lord High Chancellor of Ireland (testified by his countersigning these presents), appoint you, Samuel Ferguson, esq., to attend the Chief Judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, and in my name to receive and take charge of all Rolls, Records, Writs, Books, Proceedings, Decrees, Bills, Warrants, Accounts, Papers, and Documents whatsoever, of a public nature, of the age of twenty years and upwards from the making thereof, belonging to Her Majesty, in Her said Court, of which a specification or description is contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed; and for so doing this shall be your sufficient Warrant. Given under my hand, this 22nd day of August, 1868,

(Signed), JOHN E. WALSH, *M.R.*

Approved and countersigned by me,

(Signed), A. BREWSTER, *C.*

Schedule to which the above Warrant refers.

In the offices of the Clerk of the Crown of the Court of Queen's Bench in Ireland, the Enrolments of Indictments, Presentments, Convictions, Mandamus Writs, Writs of Error, Attachments, Habeas Corpus, Quo Warranto, Courts Martial proceedings, and the Records of Courts of Commission of Oyer and Terminer for County and County of the City of Dublin, from 1729 to 1794, and Affidavits, and all other Records, Books, Papers, and public Documents, prior in date to the year 1848, of the said Court of Queen's Bench in Ireland, now contained in the Offices of the Clerk of the Crown of the said Queen's Bench, and all Indices, Calendars, or Repertories thereof, wheresoever the same may be.

APPENDIX No. 26.

EXTRACT from the REPORT of Mr. RICHARD 'TUCKER, dated 3rd February, 1869, of operations in sorting and re-arranging COLLECTION from OFFICES of REGISTRARS of COURT of CHANCERY.

Having received instructions from Mr. La Touche in the month of September last, I proceeded with the arranging and classifying of the papers transferred from the Chancery Registrars' Office. I commenced with the Petitions. This collection was made up in small bundles, written on a small-size foolscap paper up to about the year 1800, and from that date up to 1843 they were generally written on post size. These I found were folded up briefwise; I caused them to be opened out in the flat, pressed, and made up in their respective letters and years, into bundles of about five inches in thickness, to suit portfolios provided for their reception. In the course of my proceeding with this collection, I met with a great impediment, inasmuch as I found in the course of their removal from the Chancery Registrars' Office, some of their earliest dates were in many instances in the shelves of various presses quite full, and in a very great state of confusion, letters and years indiscriminately mixed up together without any regard to order, and a great portion of them so much decayed by damp and mildew that I found it almost impossible to handle them, and in many cases the indorsement of title and dates had entirely disappeared. These by careful examination of the interior portion left of them, I was partly able to arrange satisfactorily, by arranging them in their respective letters and years, and interpolating them into the bundles already made up. I found with the above collection Writs of Sequestration, which I caused to be separated and placed with their own class. From the year 1677, which occurs in the letter A, down to the year 1843, there amounts in all 352 portfolios, containing about 300 petitions each, making as near as could be ascertained at a rough calculation, 105,600 Petitions.

On completing the above collection, I next proceeded with the Chancery Reports: these were also transferred from the Chancery Registrars' Office, and were treated in the same manner as the Petitions, but I found them much more difficult to deal with, as they were written on all sizes of paper from foolscap to royal, and contained many documents of various kinds. It seemed as if under the head of Reports had been kept several classes of Records, and more especially the Reports prior to the year 1831; and although from that date there was a separate class for the Accounts, yet I found many Accounts amongst the Reports

later than 1831. I give you here a list of the various Documents I found amongst and mixed up with the Reports:—

Petitions.	Submissions.
Receivers' Accounts.	Injunctions.
Guardians' Accounts.	Sequestrations.
Certificates.	Affidavits.
Awards.	Decrees.
Releases.	Cases for opinion of Court.

Each class of these I kept by themselves and had arranged according to their years and letters. The above mentioned collection, under the head of Chancery Reports, the earliest date of which begins also in the year 1677, which occurs in the letter A, down to the year 1843, I caused to be carefully sorted, taking all the other papers in the foregoing list from amongst them, and had them tied up in bundles of about 300 in each, and pressed to about five inches in thickness to suit portfolios in progress of making for their reception. These amount, for reports alone, to 184 bundles, which, according to a rough calculation, contain 55,200 Chancery Reports unbound.

I next commenced the Receivers' Accounts, treating them in the same manner as the Petitions and Reports. The collection already in the Treasury commenced in the year 1831, as appears by the Transfer Book, and ended in the year 1834; and I was enabled to fill up many of the series of gaps which occurred in it by interpolating the accounts for those years found amongst the Reports. The earliest date I find in the remaining mass of Receivers' Accounts is in the year 1744, which occurs in the letter C, and continues down to the year 1843, amounting in all to 135 bundles, averaging about 250 in each bundle. These were also pressed to suit portfolios in progress, making about 33,750 Receivers' Accounts. I next proceeded with the Guardians' Accounts, which I found with the Receivers' Accounts and Reports. These I thought it advisable to separate from the Receivers', with the view of being enabled to find them with greater facility. This collection I also treated in the same manner as the former papers; they are tied up in bundles of about 250 in each, and the same thickness as the Receivers'. There is in all 41 bundles, the earliest date of which begins in the year 1731, and occurs in the letter N. These are also made up to suit portfolios in progress of making, and contain about 10,250 Guardians' Accounts.

The Certificates, which I also found amongst the Receivers' Accounts and Reports, were treated in a similar manner as the former mentioned papers. In this collection there is to be found Masters' Certificates for sales, also Accountant-General's Certificates, beginning in the year 1723, and continuing up to 1843. They amount in all to 34 bundles, and are made up of about 300 in each; these are also ready for their portfolios.

I come now to the Consents. These also came from the Chancery Registrars' Office, and purported to be arranged from the year 1000 down to 1843, under the head of Consents; but, on treating them in a similar manner as the other papers, I found mixed up with them several other classes of papers, viz., Petitions, Submissions, Awards, Releases, Returns, and Rolls Certificates. The latter I thought it advisable to leave with the Consents; the other papers found amongst them I caused to be separated and classed by themselves, each in their own letters and years. The Consents found amongst the Reports I interpolated into their proper places. This collection contains forty-nine bundles, with about 300 in each, the earliest date of which is 1713, and occurs

in the letter I. These are also ready for their portfolios, and comprise about 14,700 Consents and Rolls Certificates. The Awards, Releases, and Submissions I caused to be made up in bundles, selecting them and placing them in their letters and years, as above mentioned. This collection contains in all twenty-two bundles, which are ready for portfolios. In arranging this enormous mass of papers I found a great many gaps, whole years in some cases being wanting; and in the Petitions, in one instance, in the letter N, from the year 1800 to 1808, both inclusive, are missing. In the event of their turning up, I have made provision for them as regards space. In many instances of papers found in the different classes of documents not in their proper places, I had to contend with great difficulties in having to re-open the bundles, already made up, and interpolating those papers. The frequent occurrence of finding different papers in each collection as I proceeded caused me a great delay, and I had to recommence the formation of the bundles again and again. I beg you will take into consideration that the persons I had employed to assist me in carrying out this work had never had any experience in anything of the kind before; and I have no doubt that, from time to time, there will turn up some mistakes, but I apprehend of so trifling a nature as I can easily remedy.

APPENDIX No. 27.

TO the RIGHT HONORABLE the MASTER of the ROLLS.—THE FIRST REPORT of Sir JOHN BERNARD BURKE, ULSTER, KEEPER of the STATE PAPERS in the RECORD TOWER, DUBLIN CASTLE, dated 1st February, 1869.

I commence this my First Report from the date of the constitution of my present office of Keeper of the State Papers in the Record Tower, under the "Public Record (Ireland) Act, 1867."

The office so constituted comprises myself, as Keeper of the State Papers, and my two Clerks, Mr. George F. Barry and Mr. John Joseph Maginn.

At the date of my appointment under this Act, there were in my custody, as Keeper of the Records in the Record Tower, four distinct departments, viz. :—

- I. The Bermingham Tower Record Room, being the depository of the Plea, Pipe, and other Rolls.
- II. The Parliamentary Record Office, being the depository of the Records, Books, and Papers of the Irish Parliament.
- III. The Record Commission Department, being the depository of the Books, Papers, and Proceedings of the Record Commission of 1810.
- IV. The State Paper Department, being the depository of the Books, Papers, and Records of the Chief Secretary's Office and the Council Office.

Under the requirements of the "Public Records Act" my duties are to be threefold :—

1. To prepare finally, for transfer to the new Public Record Office, the contents of the three first named depositories, viz. :—The Bermingham Tower Record Room, the Parliamentary Record Office, and the Record Commission Department.

2. To receive the current papers and books of the Chief Secretary's and Council offices, and the accumulated arrears.
3. To arrange, classify, and index the Records in the State Paper Department for their gradual removal to the Public Record Building, subject to the reservation of the Act requiring that such Records and papers so to be transferred shall be of an age of fifty years from the making thereof.

1. With reference to the preparation for transfer to the Public Record Office of the contents of the three departments above specified, viz., the Birmingham Tower Record Room Department, the Parliamentary Record Room Department, and the Record Commission Department:—

The first two of these depositories I have now in such a prepared state that they can at any moment be labelled and in all respects rendered fit for transfer to the Public Record Office.

The third depository—the Record Commission collection—I have had arranged, papered, endorsed, labelled, numbered, adjusted to the spaces in the Record Treasury, and removed to the Public Record Office.

2. With reference to the removal from the Chief Secretary's Office to the Record Tower of the current State Papers, I have received a very considerable number of documents, amounting to more than 100,000, dating from the year 1821 to the year 1840, and also seventy MS. volumes of Country Letter Books, Treasury Minute Books, Applications to the Treasury, &c., &c. I have had these newly transferred documents partially arranged (sufficiently for temporary reference) and I have placed each bundle or parcel, carefully covered, endorsed, and numbered, in an appropriate press. As the current Office Indexes, attached to this collection do not include all the current documents, it has become necessary, for actual present use, to supply the omission; in furtherance of this I have caused an Index to be commenced of the omitted papers, beginning with the years 1839 and 1840. Eventually all the documents from the Chief Secretary's Office will be arranged, classified, and indexed for transfer.

3. With reference to the arrangement, classification, and indexing of the State Papers, I have commenced with the most ancient records of this department, for the purpose of having, in a proper state for transfer, the documents of the first twenty years. I shall thus be enabled, at an early period, to certify to the Lord Lieutenant and the Master of the Rolls, that the first portion of the State Papers is in a fit condition to be removed, in conformity with the Act.

The Church Miscellaneous Papers, being the letters, communications, and other documents connected with the Irish Church from the year 1662 to the year 1795, I have arranged, numbered, classified, and placed in cartons, and I have made a Calendar of the whole series; the Index to it is in a state of preparation.

The British Departmental Correspondence, being the communications and letters from the Official Departments in England to the Irish Government, beginning in 1683, and ending in 1758, I have arranged and placed, properly labelled, in cartons; a Calendar is in progress, and during the past year has been completed up to the end of 1718.

The Irish Departmental Correspondence, being the communications and letters from the Irish Government to the Official Departments in England, from 1685 to 1797, I have also arranged and placed in cartons.

The Irish Civil Miscellaneous Correspondence, being the communications and letters to the Government in Ireland from the year 1685 to the year 1796, have also been arranged in like manner and placed in cartons.

The collection of Law Reports and other papers connected therewith, from the year 1697 to 1793, has been similarly arranged and placed in cartons.

The series of Abstracts of Cash from the Revenue, Customs, Excise, and Treasury, from the year 1724 to 1810, inclusive, has been placed in tin boxes and calendared.

A collection of miscellaneous Accounts, part of the foregoing series (not included in the official Index), have also been calendared and placed in a tin box.

The mass of Church Papers, concerning the unions, divisions, and other modifications of parishes and glebes, and removals of sites of churches, in the various dioceses, commencing in 1697 and ending in 1814, have been arranged and placed in cartons; and of these documents I have prepared a Calendar.

(Signed), J. BERNARD BURKE, *Ulster*.

Record Tower, Dublin Castle.

APPENDIX No. 28.

SPECIMEN PAGE from CALENDAR of DISENTAILING DEED ROLL, No. 17, 1840.

24th December, 1839. Alexander Allen, of Ballyobikin, county No. 336. Down, first part; Alexander Allen, the younger, his son, of the same place, second part; and James Allen, of Nuns' Quarter, county Down, Co. Down, the trustee, third part. Premises mentioned:—Ballyobeken, otherwise Ballyobikin, otherwise Ballydrumronnan, in the parish of St. Andrews; Ballyhayes, in the parish of Donaghadee; Ballyverter, in the parish of Donaghadee, called the Lamb Park and the Long Loan Park; all in the barony of Ards, and county Down.

Enrolled 2nd January, 1840.

14th December, 1839. The Right Honorable Nathaniel, Earl of Leitrim, of Killadoon, county Kildare, and the Honorable William Sydney Clements, commonly called Lord Viscount Clements, of Lough Rynn, co. Leitrim, his eldest son, first part; the Poor Law Commissioners, Co. Leitrim, second part. Premises mentioned:—Bruckard's Hill, in the parish of Clonilare, Barony of Dromahair, Co. Leitrim.

Enrolled 3rd January, 1840.

28th December, 1839. Henry William Knox, of Netley Park, co. No. 838. Mayo, first part; Edmond John Nolan, of Inns-quay, City of Dublin, so. Co. Mayo, licitor, second part. Premises mentioned:—Rathnamagh, Letterbrick, Ballincloy, Shraghlaghy, Rathnamagh, and Cooneal, all in the barony of Tyrawley, co. Mayo.

Enrolled 6th January, 1840.

APPENDIX No. 29.

LETTER from SECRETARY of PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, LONDON, relative to IRISH STATE PAPERS from PHILADELPHIA.

(Copy.)

4th September, 1868.

SIR,—With reference to a letter from the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to the Master of the Rolls, dated 14th November, 1867 (copy enclosed), I am directed to inform you that the five volumes of Irish State Papers therein mentioned have this day been transmitted

to your office by rail. You will perceive that their Lordships' sanction, on the recommendation of Lord Romilly, the volumes being delivered to the Public Record Office in Dublin, in order that they may be preserved in the archives of the country to the history of which they more especially relate.

Further particulars explanatory of the circumstances under which these volumes were restored to the British Government by the Library Company of Philadelphia will be found in the letter of the Master of the Rolls to the Treasury, dated 4th November, 1867 (copy enclosed), and in the Twenty-ninth printed Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records, dated 25th February, 1868, pp. xiv.-xviii. I also transmit the covers in which four of the volumes were bound when received in England. The fifth volume has had its binding repaired, and is in its former cover.

With reference to my letter of the 28th January, transmitting certain volumes of Transcripts of Carte Papers in the Bodleian Library (as far as Vol. 24 [1]), I also send with the volumes from Philadelphia a continuation of the Carte Transcripts, viz., Vols. 24 (2), 25 (1 and 2), 26 (1 and 2), and 27 (1 and 2), to be placed with the preceding volumes.

I remain, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed,) JOHN EDWARDS, Secretary.

J. T. Gilbert, esq., Secretary,
Public Record Office of Ireland.

APPENDIX No. 30.

LETTER from SECRETARY of PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, LONDON, relative to TRANSCRIPTS of CARTE PAPERS.

(Copy.)

28th January, 1868.

SIR,—In the year 1863, by desire of the Treasury, an examination of the Carte Papers in the Bodleian Library at Oxford was made, and a Report thereon printed, a copy of which I forward to you this day by the book post.

The formation of a Calendar of these papers not being considered expedient, the Treasury determined to have duplicate copies made of such Irish official documents as are among them—one copy to be placed in the Public Record Office, London, for the use of the public, and the other copy in such place in Dublin as might be afterwards selected.

These copies, as far as Vol. 24 (1), have been made, and the Treasury (25th January) have authorized the Master of the Rolls to transmit one set to the Public Record Office, Dublin.

I have, therefore, been directed to transmit one set of the Transcripts to you, and have accordingly sent them this day by the London and North-Western Railway.

I remain, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed,) JOHN EDWARDS.

Samuel Ferguson, esq., Deputy Keeper
of the Public Records of Ireland.

Additional particulars respecting the Carte Transcripts will be found in the twenty-fifth, twenty-seventh, and twenty-eighth printed Reports of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records.

APPENDIX No. 31.

PRINTED CORRESPONDENCE relative to IRISH STATE PAPERS from PHILADELPHIA, issued with notification of PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE being accessible to LITERARY INQUIRERS.

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF IRELAND.

Dublin, September 17, 1868.

The five volumes of "Irish State Papers" referred to in the annexed correspondence, and also copies of the "Carte Papers" from the originals at Oxford, so far as yet transcribed, have been received at the Public Record Office, Dublin, where they are now accessible, under the regulations of the Department.

London, November 4, 1867.

SIR,—I have had occasion to address several letters to you relative to the five volumes of Irish State Papers which have been liberally presented to the British Government by the "Library Company of Philadelphia," and forwarded to me by the direction of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury. I think the time has now arrived for me to give their lordships a full account of those volumes, and of the steps I have taken respecting them. I must, however, first briefly recapitulate the circumstances which led to the spirited and generous surrender of these books on the part of the Library Company.

Mr. Hepworth Dixon, during his late tour in America, visited the Library of Philadelphia, and saw there five volumes of Irish State Papers which had been presented to that library in 1799. Mr. Dixon suggested to the Librarian that it would be a graceful act on the part of the authorities of the Library if they were to restore to the British Government the volumes in question, as they were evidently a part of the national archives of Great Britain.

The directors of the Library Company immediately and unanimously agreed "that there was an eminent propriety in the manuscripts being restored to the British Government as a portion of their public archives;" and a communication to that effect was made to me through the medium of Mr. Hepworth Dixon.

I immediately informed the Treasury of Mr. Hepworth Dixon's intimation, forwarding at the same time a letter on the subject from Mr. Lloyd Smith, the Librarian of Philadelphia; and I suggested that the Lords of the Treasury should make a suitable acknowledgment to the Library Company, and accompany their letter with a copy of all the Government works published by their authority under my direction, not as a recompense, but as a testimony of their high appreciation of a gift so honourably and disinterestedly made.

The Lords of the Treasury, by their Minute 10th January, 1867, having gratefully accepted the present of the Philadelphia Library Company, the five volumes in question were forwarded to England through our Minister at Washington, and duly received by me on the 26th April, 1867.

On that day I informed you of the safe arrival of these MSS., and I ventured to suggest to their lordships that it would be a courteous and munificent act on their part if they would direct me to deliver these volumes to the care of the Public Record Office in Dublin, as they relate more especially to the history of Ireland, and ought to be

preserved in the archives there. It appeared to me that by such a procedure their lordships would follow the liberal example already set by the Philadelphia Library Company, and restitution of these volumes would be made to the country to which they properly belong.

In the full persuasion that their lordships would comply with my suggestion, I gave orders to have four of the volumes copied *verbatim et literatim*, properly authenticated, and placed for general use in the Search-room of the Public Record Office. I have not deemed it necessary to have the fifth volume (the "Memoirs of the Marquess of Clanricarde") transcribed, as it has been already printed.

As these transcripts are now finished, and are ready for binding, I am prepared to give up the originals to their lordships whenever they call upon me to do so, in order that they may dispose of them in the way they may consider most beneficial to the public service.

Before they are sent away, I think they ought to be strongly bound, and a suitable inscription placed upon the volumes, commemorative of the circumstances under which they are restored to the British nation.

I ought, perhaps, to state in conclusion, that in conformity with my recommendation, a complete set of the Chronicles and Memorials of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Calendars of State Papers, as well as of the *fac-similes* in photozincography of Domesday Book, and the National MS. had been sent to the Philadelphia Library Company by the Lords of the Treasury, as a grateful acknowledgment of the feelings their lordships entertain of the honourable and disinterested spirit which prompted the gift.

The directors of the Library have not failed to return thanks through me to Her Majesty's Government, for what they term "their munificent gift."

On the following pages I have furnished their lordships with a brief account of each of the five volumes in question, and have the honour to remain,

Your obedient servant,

ROMILLY.

G. A. Hamilton, esq., &c., &c.

ACCOUNT of the CONTENTS of VOLUMES received from PHILADELPHIA.

I.

The documents contained in the volume lettered "Original Correspondence, Irish Government, I. 1603-1615," consist for the most part of letters and copies of letters from the Lords of the Council in England to the Lord Deputy, or the Lord Deputy and Council in Ireland. The dates of these documents range from 1592 to 160¹⁵. They refer, in general, to petitions from individuals, or corporate bodies, to the King or the Council. In some few cases copies of the petitions are enclosed.

It is stated in indorsements on many of the letters, that they have been enrolled either in the Council Books, in the Office of Musters, in that of the Chief Remembrancer of the Exchequer, in the King's Bench in Ireland, or on the Rolls of the Chancery of Ireland. There are five of the latter class, four of which are printed in the "Patent and Close Rolls, Chancery, Ireland," Vol. III., and one in the "Calendar of the Irish Patent Rolls."

The volume exhibits marks of mutilation, and in two instances it is evident that a whole letter has been removed.

With regard to the subjects treated of, it would be almost impossible to describe them under a moderate number of heads. Among matters of public interest, however, may be specified: the payment and victualing of the army; papers relating to arms and munitions, military appointments, forts and fortifications; to the currency; to the settlement of customs; to the treatment of the fugitive Earls; to the punishment of priests, and restraint of the Popish religion; to the establishment of a learned ministry in Ireland, and the reformation of the clergy; to the apprehension and punishment of pirates; to fines for recusancy, &c.

There is a very interesting paper, entitled "Motives and Reasons to induce the City of London to undertake plantaçon in the North of Ireland;" and another, of earlier date, "Memorials for Reformaçon of the Clergie." The letters on petitions from individuals are very numerous.

II.

The documents in the volume lettered "MSS. Letters, K. James I., 1603 to 1615," consist of royal letters; warrants under the sign manual, and copies of warrants; granting lands, rents, and annuities, in Ireland, to various persons, either for services, or as personal favours; to the Church and military establishments; together with charges and commissions in several districts of the same country; to which are added, in three instances, lists of the royal army there.

They range from 1603 to 1612.

The bulk of the letters concerns the interests of individuals; but towards the close of the volume, the matters of the Church; the reduction of the army; the improvement of the customs, and the summoning of Parliament, form the principal points touched upon in a despatch to Sir Arthur Chichester, the Deputy in Ireland, in the year 1611.

More than half of the documents bear the indorsement that they are enrolled in the Rolls of the Chancery in Ireland; and of the first twenty so indorsed, all have been indented with entries in the printed, but unpublished, volume of the "Patent and Close Rolls, Chancery, Ireland."

III.

The documents contained in the volume of Irish State Papers, lettered "MSS. Orig. Correspondence, Irish Government, 1603-1615, II.," commence on the 10th of March, 1610, and come down to December 24, 1615. They consist for the most part of original letters, addressed by the Lords of the Council in England to the Lord Deputy of Ireland and the other members of the Council there. Besides these original official documents, there are various letters, petitions, and copies of petitions and memoranda, chiefly from private individuals, forwarded by the Lords of the Council as "enclosures" to the Lord Deputy of Ireland. This correspondence, though of a somewhat varied character, has reference, more or less directly, to the "Plantation of Ulster;" and it furnishes a considerable amount of information as to the means by which that design was carried into effect, the conditions under which the "undertakers," "the distributors of the land," the settlement of the Londoners in Coleraine and the Derry, &c.; but perhaps the most interesting of these documents, numbered "64," consists of a series of questions addressed by the Lord Deputy to the Lords of the Council in England, with the answers of the latter in parallel columns—the answers of which are full and minute, and evince the deep interest

which the Lords of the Council and the King himself took in the success of this enterprise. It also enables the reader to see at a glance the machinery that was put into operation for conducting the work of the "plantation."

Other papers relate to piracy, to the cutting and exportation of "the King's timber," the making of pipe-staves, &c., prohibited by an Order in Council. Others, again, relate to Church matters, "overtures for the advancement of true religion," the removal of recusants from their offices, &c. It appears from these documents that in the diocese of Waterford and Lismore, the cathedral church, parish churches, and the dwellings for the clergy were utterly dilapidated and untenable; "the clergy do not reside—and if they did, there is no convenience of furniture for the performance of divine service." No less curious are the papers relating to "a certain scandalous act attempted" by the Bishop of Down, who is summoned to appear before the Privy Council in England to clear himself, if (as he protests) he can, of the crime laid to his charge, and the "dishonour which he has brought upon the Church." These documents are indorsed for the most part by the Lord Deputy, Sir Arthur Chichester. The volume appears to have been mutilated in several places; no less than ten letters have evidently been torn out. In some few instances signatures also have been removed. In other respects the volume is throughout in fair condition.

IV.

The documents contained in the volume lettered "MSS. Letters of K. James I., 1603-1615, II.," range from the year 1609 to the year 1615; or, more strictly, from 1612 to 1615, as there are only two documents for 1609 and 1610, and none for 1611. In all, there are about 150, while each of the other three volumes contains about 250.

At the beginning there is a brief calendar of the letters contained in the volume, but it is mutilated and imperfect.

These documents are similar to those in the preceding volume. They consist almost entirely of letters and warrants from King James I. to Sir Arthur Chichester, Lord Deputy in Ireland, concerning grants of escheated lands in Ulster to certain "undertakers," the plantation of that province, appointments to various Irish offices, the allowance of annuities, pensions, and rewards, commercial matters, the accusations made against the Lord Deputy, the dissensions in the House of Commons in Ireland, and many other matters of historical importance.

Most of them contain two indorsements: (1), one in Sir Arthur Chichester's own hand, indicating the date of the letter, its nature, and the time of its receipt by himself; (2), the other in the ordinary hand of the Patent and Close Rolls, to the effect that the warrant or letter was enrolled by James Newman, clerk to the Master of the Rolls, on the Rolls of the Chancery of Ireland.

V.

The fifth volume received from Philadelphia is the Diary of the Marquess of Clanricarde, which has been printed.

Treasury Chambers, November 14, 1867.

MY LORD,—I have laid before the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury your lordship's letter of the 4th instant, further on the subject of the five volumes of Irish State Papers, presented to the British Government by the Library Company of Philadelphia, and submitting a short account of the contents of each of these volumes.

I am desired by their lordships to state that they approve of the recommendations made by your lordship with regard to these volumes —namely, that they should be strongly bound, and that a suitable inscription should be placed upon them commemorative of the circumstances under which they were restored to the British nation. When this shall have been done, my lords further sanction the volumes being delivered to the care of the Public Record Office in Dublin, in order that they may be preserved in the archives of the country to the history of which they more especially relate.

I am, my lord,

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE WARD HUNT.

The Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls.

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THE SECOND REPORT
OF THE
DEPUTY KEEPER OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS
IN IRELAND.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE EARL
SPENCER, K.G., LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND
GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

1. On the 12th of February, 1869, I had the honor to submit my first Report of the proceedings had in execution of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867."

2. The operations in progress at the close of that Report comprised

Operations in progress at close of last Report.

Extern.

a. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Records deposited in the Crown Office of the Court of Queen's Bench.

Intern.

a. The arranging and placing in their repositories, in the Record Treasury, of the collection of documents and deeds which had been removed from the Offices of the Right Honorable Edward Litton, one of the Masters in Chancery.

3. The general character of the Crown Office Collection may be seen from the abstract appended to my First Report. A more detailed account of the contents of the several presses appears by the Report of Messrs. Moloney and M'Ghee appended hereto. The removal of the collection was effected at the close of January, 1869, with the exception of certain portions comprised in a Certificate of Retainer, given by the Lord Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench. These portions were left in the custody of the Clerk of the Crown.

Crown Office, Queen's Bench.

Appendix I.

Appendix II.

4. Places for the documents so retained were reserved in the shelves allotted to the collection in the Record Treasury; and arrangements were made with the Clerk of the Crown for the transcription and issue, here, of such certified copies as might be required during their retainer.

5. The Litton Collection comprised the proceedings in 8,080 causes and matters in Chancery the bulk of which had been

Litton Collection.

referred to Masters Litton, Curry, Connor, King, Burroughs, and their several predecessors in office, the residue being a proportion of the collection of Master Henn, which, on the closing of his office had been distributed among the other Masters. Besides the proceedings incidental to taking Accounts, including Charges, Discharges, Interrogatories, and Depositions in aid, Affidavits, Draft Reports, Exceptions, and other classes of Instruments arising in the progress of causes and matters, this collection comprises a considerable number of original Deeds and Instruments deposited by suitors from time to time, or brought in on subpoena or as Exhibits and not removed. Some of these are made up in wrappers on which the name of the cause appears; but the greater number have escaped from their packages, and can only be identified as deeds between particular parties.

Original Deeds.

Appendix III.

6. These Instruments are considered as private property, and only consultable in like manner as those contained in boxes, on the authority of the Court from which they have come. Appended to Mr. Mills' Report on the Litton Collection, will be found an Index from which parties interested may learn the existence of these muniments which probably have long been regarded as lost or destroyed.

Ushers of
Chancery Col-
lection.

7. With respect to the Deeds and Documents of a like character from the Collection of the Usher of the Court of Chancery, it appeared to the late Master of the Rolls, that from the length of time elapsed since their deposit, they might be regarded as demit and open to general inspection. Two volumes of the Usher Book, recording deposits between the 5th of February, 1696, and 28th of January, 1835, were found in the Affidavit Office of Chancery, and now form part of the series.

Operations
undertaken
since last
Report.

8. The proceedings undertaken within the present year may also be conveniently summarized under the heads of Extern and Intern, viz. :—

Extern.

a. Preparation for transfer of the Judgment Rolls in the custody of the Master of the Court of Queen's Bench.

b. Preparation for transfer of the several Records, and removal of the Rules Office Collection, in the custody of the Master of the Court of Exchequer, in Exchequer offices.

c. Preparation and removal of the Records deposited in the Rules Office of the Court of Queen's Bench.

d. Preparation and removal of the residue of the Bermingham Tower collection deposited in the Record Tower, Dublin Castle.

e. Preparation and removal of the Deeds Boxes brought from the offices of J. J. Murphy, esq., Master in Chancery.

f. Preparation and removal of the Records deposited in the Examiners' Offices of the Court of Chancery.

g. Preparation and removal of the Records of the Court of Exchequer deposited in the section of the new buildings at the rear of the Four Courts, known as Benchers' Building.

h. Preparation and removal of the Records deposited at the late Landed Estates Record Office, Custom House.

Intern.

- a. Construction of Bays in north-east section of Record Treasury.
- b. Erection of fittings.
- c. Preparation of Chancery Pleadings and Rolls for intern transfer.
- d. Assortment of Inventions-Patents.
- e. Disposal of Duplicate Deeds affecting rights of the Crown.
- f. Preparation and filling of Portfolios.
- g. Preparation of Early Chancery Pleadings for deposit.
- h. Arrangement of Fiants.
- i. Arrangement of Equity Exchequer Decrees.
- k. Indexing and Calendaring.

9. The collection of Judgment Rolls in the offices of the Master of the Court of Queen's Bench has been fully catalogued by entries in its proper Transfer Books, and the several Rolls labelled ready for removal; but the removal has not taken place owing to want of authority occasioned by the vacancy in the office of Master of the Rolls. At the time of the decease of the Right Hon. John Edward Walsh, the necessary order for regulating the access to these Records by the officers charged with the duty of entering satisfactions, &c., thereon, had not received his Honor's signature. Printed proofs of the intended order, framed in analogy to his Honor's order of 17th December, 1868, regulating the proceedings in the case of entering vacates on recognizances in Chancery, had been prepared; but the final approval and promulgation of the order was held over to afford time for the necessary arrangements to be made by the Judges of the Superior Law Courts for the attendance of their officers here in the execution of such duties.

Queen's Bench
Judgment
Rolls.

10. A like enumeration and labelling for removal has been made of the extensive collection in the offices of the Court of Exchequer, situated in the eastern quadrangle of the Four Courts; but partly for the same reason as above stated in reference to the Rolls of the Court of Queen's Bench, and partly from the pressure of more urgent requirements, the process of removal has been confined to the contents of the Rules Office; and further notice of this operation is reserved until the complete removal and re-arrangement of the several parts of the Exchequer collection.

Exchequer
Collection, ex-
clusive of those
in Benchers'
Building.

11. The same objection not applying to the removal of the contents of the Rules Office of the Court of Queen's Bench as to the Judgment Rolls collection, 380 volumes of Rule-Books, and 250 other pieces were removed in the usual manner from the two apartments occupied by the Clerk of the Rules. The final arrangement of these, in like manner, awaits the complete removal of the Queen's Bench Records. I may observe in reference to this and other like operations, where parts only of entire collections have been removed, that in all such cases, the department has been called into action by particular emergencies and unexpected requirements of other offices.

Queen's Bench
Rules Office.

Record Tower,
Dublin Castle.

Appendix V.

Population and
Agricultural
Returns.

Deeds Boxes,
Murphy Col-
lection.

Examiners'
Offices of
Court of
Chancery.

Appendix VI.

12. Under the directions of Sir J. Bernard Burke, to whose Report to the Master of the Rolls I beg leave to refer, a further series of records and documents has been transmitted to this office, from the Record Tower, Dublin Castle. It comprises the valuable collection of Early Plea Rolls of the several superior Courts of Law, and a portion of the Exchequer Roll of the Pipe (being the residue of the Bermingham Tower Records), together with the Population Returns for the year 1821 and part of 1831. The entering, labelling, and destining of these documents was performed by Mr. Barry of the State Paper Branch of this office.

13. These Population Returns are very bulky; and, with the sequel of the Census of 1831 and 1834, and of the several decennial Censuses and annual Agricultural Returns to 1859 inclusive, now occupy more than one-half the entire basement of the Record Treasury. Altogether they weigh not less than sixty tons; and it is difficult to see how provision is to be made for the reception of this class of papers in the future, as there now remain only a few bays in the basement which can be so allocated; and it would be a misapplication of the costly fittings of the Upper Treasury to occupy them with such matter, even if the requirements of legitimate Record accommodation should leave any part of these fittings unoccupied.

14. The Deeds Boxes under the charge of J. J. Murphy, esq., Master in Chancery, had been temporarily removed from his offices, and deposited in two rooms in the attic story of the Record House. Their removal to the Record Treasury where they are placed in the basement in the Masters' Series, was effected in like manner as was done in the cases of the Brooke and Litton Deeds Boxes. An Index has been formed to them, the locks repaired, and new locks and keys supplied. They are accessible to the parties under like regulations as the Litton and Brooke Boxes.

15. The Depositions-in-chief from the year 1573 in causes in the Court of Chancery, and from the year 1823 in causes in the Court of Equity Exchequer, were deposited in five rooms of the southern wing of the eastern quadrangle. They occupied eighty-seven presses, and were in an intermixed order, which rendered their serializing a difficult and tedious operation. The Chancery Depositions are now arranged in bundles for the several terms from 1661 for the Second Examiner's collection, and from 1729 for the Chief Examiner's collection, prior to which dates they are chiefly in yearly bundles, and occupy the whole of one bay. Certain portions of the Equity Exchequer Depositions-in-chief comprehended in the same collection, are in a partial state of arrangement, but will not be placed on their shelves until the process of interpolating the several broken portions of the series shall be completed. To complete the concentration of the entire Records of the Courts of Chancery and Equity Exchequer, it only now remains to remove the documents in the offices of Masters Murphy and Fitzgibbon, and those pertaining to the offices of Chief and Second Remembrancer in the custody of the Master of the Court of Exchequer, which latter are already prepared for removal.

16. The several preceding operations may be regarded as collateral to the main work of the year, consisting of the removal of the Benchers' Building and Custom House collections, both very large undertakings, pressed forward for the purpose of obtaining room for other Departments, and executed to a large extent by labour supplied by the Commissioners of Public Works. The Records so removed are chiefly those of the Court of Exchequer.

Exchequer
Records in
Benchers
Building.

17. The Court of Exchequer having had the collection and control of the Revenue of the kingdom in addition to its acquired jurisdiction as a Court of Law and Equity, and having also been the original Treasury of the public Records, possesses in its various branches a larger collection of such documents than any other Court or Department.

Exchequer
Records

18. Considerable portions of these collections have from time to time been transferred, some of them into the custody of officers no longer connected with the Court of Exchequer, and others into out-offices, for convenience of room and storage; the residue still remaining in the proper offices of the Court, under the immediate care of the Master, and prepared for removal as above mentioned. The portion first detached consisted of the bulk of the collections of the Auditor-General, Surveyor-General, and Vice-Treasurer, which formed the nucleus of the Custom House collection, to be further referred to below.

dispersed ;

those of
Auditor-Gen-
eral, Surveyor-
General, Vice-
Treasurer, &c.,
to Custom
House ;

19. There still remained an inconvenient accumulation in the offices and vaults of the Exchequer in the Four Courts Building, and in contemplation of their removal, provision was made for their reception in that part of the new block of buildings at the rear of the Four Courts, called Benchers' Building, from its ground-floor being used for meetings of the Benchers. Six vaults in the basement, and ten vaulted rooms divided by press-partitions into sixteen small apartments, on the first and second floors, were devoted to this purpose. The vaults and part of the first floor received the overflow of the Law and Revenue sides, which remained under the charge of the Master of the Court; and on the abolition of the Equity side of the Court in 1850, and the transfer of its Records to the corresponding departments of the Court of Chancery, the residue of the first and whole of the second floor were filled with the Pleadings, Depositions, Decrees, and other Documents of the late Equity Exchequer, the charge of which now devolved on the Master of the Rolls.

others to
Benchers'
Building,

Partly in
charge of
Exchequer
Officers,

and partly in
charge of Rolls
Officers.

20. Benchers' Building thus became the depository of three Exchequer collections, two of them (from the Law and Revenue sides) being broken parts of other collections, the residues of which were to be found in the proper offices of the Court and at the Custom House respectively. Hence, until these latter collections shall be reduced into continuous series, which will require extensive interpolation and recasting, no complete Index can be formed; but, as this will be a work of time, and it is of importance to the profession that they should have the means of acquainting themselves with what is now to be found in this office, it has been deemed expedient to include in the Reports of the Assistant Deputy Keeper, lists of these several sets of Records as they have been transferred.

Consequent
broken charac-
ter of some of
the series.

Appendix
VII., VIII.

The Equity
Exchequer
Pleadings,

in series from
1648 to 1810.

Appendix IX.

From 1800 to
1850 put into
date-sequence

by ordinary
workmen.

Entire series
now consulta-
ble.

See First
Report, No. 34.

Appendix
VII., VIII.,
IX.

Removal
effected ;

from vaults,

10th March,
1869 ;

from upper
floors, 8th
July, 1869.

21. The portion under the care of the officers of Chancery was more complete, the series of Pleadings and Decrees being substantially in sequence, the former from 1648 to 1850, and the latter from 1624 to 1843. But their arrangement with a view to their removal was attended with a great amount of labour. The Pleadings lay, as has been described in my First Report, on shelves, as in the Rolls Record Room ; but these not having doors or any means of confining the contents in front, it often happened that, owing to changes in the temperature, the parchments slid out of their places, and in replacing them, the sequences of date were not unfrequently deranged, and the clue to the documents practically lost. Besides, the serializing in complete consecutive order of dates, had only been carried out at the time of their deposit, from 1648 to 1800, and from 1839 to 1850. The Pleadings for the remaining forty years had only been cast into heaps of years without subordinate arrangement, so that in making up the collection into portable bundles for transfer, it was necessary to examine the sequence of dates in all, and to arrange it fully for the first time in those of the forty years from 1800 to 1839, inclusive.

22. This labour occupied sometimes as many as eight persons under the superintendence of Mr. Tucker, from Christmas 1868 to May, 1869. The hands employed were ordinary workmen of the Board of Works who, from their engagement in similar operations during the previous year, had acquired an aptitude, remarkable in men of their class, for this kind of occupation.

23. The series is now deposited here in complete consultable order, but under the same disadvantages as attended the deposit of the Pleadings of the Court of Chancery. The process, however, of transferring the latter into their final receptacles—to be adverted to more fully under the head of intern arrangement—has now begun, and the Exchequer Pleadings will, in their turn, undergo the same treatment.

24. The general arrangement and removal of the Benchers Building collection was conducted by the Assistant Deputy Keeper, Mr. La Touche, who has made careful preparation for the reception of the different outlying portions into their proper places in the several series. I beg leave to refer to Mr. La Touche's Reports.

25. In bulk and weight this collection was nearly equal to that of the Rolls. That portion of it deposited on the upper floors was removed by an inclined plane or "shoot" from the first floor at the rere of the building, without any interference with the resort of suitors to the adjoining Courts.

26. The vaults were placed at the disposal of the Landed Estates Court for the reception of their Deeds Boxes, with which the basement of their building, about equal in area to that of the Record Treasury, had become overcrowded, early in the month of March.

27. The entire operation, with such interruptions as I have mentioned, was completed on the 8th of July, 1869, at which time it had been notified to me by the then Master of the Rolls that the Benchers would require possession of the upper portions of the building.

28. The Landed Estates Record Office was established in 1832, in the central block of the western façade of the Custom House. The ground-floor and mezzanine story of this part of the building are arched constructions, originally designed and fitted up with presses for Record purposes. Above these, part of the first floor and the whole of an attic extending the entire length and breadth of the building, were also fitted up with presses, being 377 in all. These were found closely packed with Books, Rolls, and Documents. The principal bulk consisted of Census and Agricultural Returns, which occupied the attic and part of the basement. Next in bulk to these were the more valuable records of the Auditor-General, Surveyor-General, Clerk of the Forfeitures, and Vice-Treasurer, arranged in the presses of the mezzanine and basement; and interspersed throughout the rooms were other minor, but still considerable, collections which had been brought in from time to time as particular offices and departments had occasion for increased room.

Custom House
collection:

its general
nature and
extent.

29. There was no Press Catalogue; nor was any Inventory, save the Irish Record Commissioners' printed Catalogues of the Auditors and Surveyor General's collections as they existed in their former places of deposit, previous to 1820, known to me when I received possession. The knowledge necessary for satisfying the ordinary demands on the office did not require an acquaintance with more than the contents of a comparatively small number of presses in which the Maps and Crown Rentals of more frequent reference were deposited. It was not until the process of removal was approaching a conclusion that several detached Registers of particular parts of the collection, formed by Mr. Hardinge, were found. Under these circumstances Mr. Overend had been charged with the duty of entering in a Transfer Book the contents of each shelf in consecutive order, giving such descriptions as the Records might yield on examination, or as could be collected from the information supplied by Mr. Day. This work was performed in a satisfactory manner by Mr. Overend, throughout the mezzanine and greater part of the basement story, and was afterwards completed for the residue of the presses. It now constitutes a General Catalogue of the Landed Estates Record Office Collection; and enlarged as it has been in some particulars, affords the means of identifying the former place, by press and shelf, of each piece removed, in convenient, though still far from complete, detail.

No General
Inventory.

Registers of
detached por-
tions prepared
by Mr.
Hardinge.

Proceedings to
form a Press
Catalogue.

30. This General Inventory having been formed, so as to secure a basis for the operation of removal, the current business of the branch was left to be carried on in the usual manner, until it should be determined how the former practice should be dealt with after the removal of the collection to the Public Record Office. The duties prescribed by the Act for the Deputy Keeper embraced only the keeping and giving certified copies of Records; the making of searches respecting title, either for the Crown or the subject, did not appear to be any part of these duties, still less the making of entries or enrolments as of record, or the keeping-up of the particulars of Crown Rentals, which had formed the staple occupation of the Landed Estates Record Office up to that time, and

Former prac-
tice of Landed
Estates Record
Office,

in certain
particulars,

with which the Master of the Rolls did not deem it necessary to interfere as long as the collection remained in its then repository.

altered with
sanction of the
Lords of the
Treasury.
Appendix X.

31. These considerations having been laid by me before the late Master of the Rolls, by letter dated 29th January, 1869, His Honor was pleased to give his written opinion and instructions in accordance with which, the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury were pleased to sanction the discontinuance of the services in question, after the Records should be removed, on the understanding, that all reasonable facilities and assistance should be afforded to inquirers at this office.

Removal
commenced,
20th May,
1869.

32. On the 20th May, 1869, I began the removal of the Census papers in the attic, being that part of the collection which seemed least likely to be inquired after; but there being as yet no proper place provided here, for the reception of the Officers of the Quit-Rent Office, I deferred proceeding with the other portions, until a suitable apartment should be provided for them, and adequate arrangements made for the maps and books requiring special fittings.

Preparation
made for con-
ducting
inquiries of
Quit-Rent
Department
at Public
Record Office.

33. The removal of the Vice-Chancellor and his Staff from the Record house to the new Court and Offices, constructed on the site of the old Rolls Record Room, having enabled me in the month of October, to provide rooms for the transaction of the Quit-Rent Office searching business, I caused the Down Survey Maps, the Maps of the 1688 Forfeitures, the Books of Survey and Distribution, the Crown Rentals and Receipt Books, and other Records of more frequent reference to be removed.

Contemplated
arrangements
for gradual
change of
practice.

34. It was not supposed that the former course of business, to the extent at least of aiding in the searches, could be at once discontinued; or that parties should be expected, without some practice and experience, to become their own Record agents; and it was intended that the chief occupation of Mr. Day, the officer in charge at the Custom House, should for some time, continue to be that of assistant to the public here, in those particular researches with which he had become familiar, by a practice of over thirty years. It had been a primary rule of the Department, from its foundation, not to suffer the office to be dependent on the special knowledge of any individual; and it was expected that, as soon as these operations should begin to be conducted in the face of the Department, every thing intricate in manipulation, or difficult of explanation, would disappear. These expectations were, for a time, frustrated by the death of Mr. Day, which took place on the 31st of October, 1869.

Death of Mr.
Day.

35. The officers who had been placed from time to time at the Custom House, had only partly learned the methods of following the different classes of title to their roots, through the medium of these implements of reference. In this difficulty no time was lost in subjecting the Books and Maps in question, to a systematic examination, with a view to discover the clue by which, in each case, the title might be traced back to its particular source. The possession of the Indexes, and Calendars of the Rolls of Chancery, on which the same titles were regularly enrolled, afforded the means of checking and verifying the investigation.

Steps taken to
remove conse-
quent difficulty
in use of
Custom House
Books of
Reference.

36. It may here be observed that, independently of the Rolls and other Records necessary to be consulted in searching for roots of titles having never been brought into one place, (an important portion being still in the charge of the Master of the Court of Exchequer), the indexes to the several series are voluminous, and not less than fifty in number; and no method exists by which the inquirer, ignorant of everything but the name and situation of the lands, as is usually the case, can guide himself *à priori* to the particular index which he should consult; whereas, at the Landed Estates Record Office, means had always existed of determining, at an early period of the search, the class of instruments amongst which the lands, and a reference to the primary assurance under which they were held, would probably be found. Hence had arisen the preference naturally given by the legal profession to that office in which their inquiries could be satisfied by the more ready means of reference, as well as by the performance for them of record-agency services at the public expense. Hence also an urgent necessity for the extrication of this office from the embarrassment thus unexpectedly arising on the loss of Mr. Day's services.

Facilities for inquiries as to roots of titles in these books.

37. By a diligent course of comparison and verification, it has been ascertained, that the search machinery of the Landed Estates Record Office can be effectually worked through certain methods of reference, indicated in some cases by symbols contained in the Books of Survey and Distribution, and in other by marginal notes, found in particular volumes of the Crown Rentals. The methods of searching, as well by these maps and books as by the Records Commissioners' Indexes, is now sufficiently known to enable the public, with such aid as their other avocations will enable the officers to give, to make their own searches, in default of a competent class of Record Agents being called into existence here, as in London.

Difficulty removed.

Means of reference to the several sources of title.

38. The work of removal proceeded during the winter with increased activity. Some of the presses, the contents of which seemed to require a more detailed examination than they had received in the original Transfer Book, underwent a new process of cataloguing and labelling, and the discovery of the volumes of Registers which had been prepared by Mr. Hardinge enabled the officers to check and identify the more important accretions since the year 1832.

Inventories to Custom House collection extended.

39. There remained however a considerable number of presses of miscellaneous Customs and Exchequer documents, which could not, within the time at our disposal, be put into any kind of arrangement. These were packed in sacks, and placed with other collections of a like character, in the roof of the Treasury.

Contents of some presses still undescribed.

40. It being desirable to put an end to the cost and inconvenience of two separate establishments before the conclusion of the year, the extern workmen were encouraged to increased exertions, by small additions to their wages, through the three weeks ending the 31st of December, 1869; and on the 30th of December. I had the satisfaction to deliver over the Landed Estates Record Build-

Removal
completed,
30th December,
1869.
Appendix XI.

ing, completely emptied of its contents, to the Architect of the Board of Works. Space has thus been obtained for the Records of other public offices at the Custom House, and for the reception of Department heretofore occupying premises in the city at a rental.

41. The removal was effected by "floats" and covered waggons according to the weather. The weight of the whole may be estimated by the number of loads delivered, viz. :—

Gross weight,
169 tons.

88 "float" loads, }
25 waggon loads, } average 30 cwt. = 169 tons.

It is expedient that this great collection should undergo a thorough analysis, for which the means to some extent, are supplied by the labours of Mr. Hardinge; but such an undertaking could not be satisfactorily accomplished, in time to form part of this Report.

New practice
as regards
Quit and
Crown Rents.

42. Arrangements have been made for receiving, depositing, and keeping a proper Register of the several Deeds and books from time to time transmitted for preservation from the department of Woods and Forests; but, in pursuance of the direction of the late Master of the Rolls, the practice of making memoranda of purchases of Quit-rents, &c., on the Crown Rentals has been discontinued, as also has the practice of making enrolments of grants of offices. The existing machinery enables this office to give a certified copy of the state of any Crown-rent at the end of 1869, and of so much as may be required of any Deed affecting such rent subsequently transmitted to this office for preservation.

43. The general nature and extent of the collection which during the year 1869, has been removed to, and placed in consultable order in the Record Treasury, will appear from the following table. The pieces are generally of a larger size than those deposited last year, most of them being made up with a view to more distant transport; and will to a considerable extent have to undergo subordinate classification and labelling hereafter.

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH : Crown Office.	Enrolments of Indictments, &c., bundles,	3
	Writs, "	1
	Indictments, "	5
	Plea Rolls, rolls,	13
	Certioraris, &c., . . . bundles,	5
	Affidavits, "	2
	Presentments—City and County of Dublin, "	12
	(From Commission Court.)	
	Indictments, Pardons, &c., . . . "	12
	Miscellaneous, "	3

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
COURT OF CHANCERY : Litton Collection.	Cause Papers, bundles, Deeds, parcels of, and separate, . . .	8,080 520
COURT OF EXCHEQUER : Rules Office.	Law Rule Books, vols. Court Books, " " Office Books, " " Revenue Rule Books, . . . " " Documents relating to Admis- sion of Attorneys, . . . bundles, Lists of Attorneys, . . . vols. Attorneys' Petitions, . . . bundles, Judges' Reports and Collectors' Certificates, " " Briefs, " " Miscellaneous, " "	380 40 28 39 61 17 21 25 16 33
COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH : Rules Office.	Rule Books, vols. Court Books, " " Office Rule Books, " " Judges' Reports and Collectors' Certificates, bundles, Fiats (Judges'), " " Demurrer Books, " " Miscellaneous Documents, . . . "	277 264 167 30 49 10 44
CHANCERY : Murphy Collection.	Deed Boxes,	351
Examiners' Offices, .	Depositions (Chief Examiner), bundles, Orders for Publication, . . . " Miscellaneous, " " Depositions (Second Examiner), " Miscellaneous, " " Depositions (Equity Exchequer), "	587 13 18 321 45 125
BENCHERS' BUILDING, .	<i>Equity Exchequer.</i> Appearance Books, vols. Attachment Books, " " Note or Rule Books, " " Hearing Books, " " Draft Hearing Books, " " Rough and Motion Books, . . . " Commission and Subpoena Books, " Order Books, " " Bills and Answers, . . . bundles, Decrees, " " Decree Rolls, rolls, Depositions in chief, . . . bundles, Depositions in aid, " " Consents, " "	60 110 428 79 112 99 117 36 2,870 154 62 379 80 57

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
BENCHERS' BUILDING— <i>continued.</i>	Submissions, . . . bundles,	16
	Awards, . . . "	13
	Ch. Rems. Reports, . . . "	37
	Certificates, . . . "	17
	Notices of Motion, . . . "	18
	Petitions, . . . "	26
	Petitions for Receiver, . . . "	14
	Orders, . . . "	34
	Reports of Sale, . . . "	14
	Miscellaneous, . . . "	56
	" Books, . . . vols.	23
	<i>Revenue Exchequer.</i>	
	Affidavits, . . . bundles,	173
	Bonds and Assignments, . . . "	22
	Comptrollers' Process to Sheriffs, . . . "	72
	" " to Treasurers, . . . "	18
	Constats of Fines, . . . "	23
	Sealed Custodiams, . . . "	236
	Estreats of Outlawries, &c., . . . "	50
	Great Rolls of the Pipe, . . . rolls,	95
	High Sheriffs' Recognizances, bundles,	10
	Writs of Injunction, &c. . . "	63
	Interrogatories and Depositions, . . . "	35
	Nils, . . . "	53
	Notices and Affidavits, . . . "	22
	Orders, . . . "	147
	Petitions, . . . "	114
	Port Books, . . . vols.	35
	Schedules of Nils, . . . bundles,	98
	Sheriffs' Tots, . . . "	96
	Summonisters' Process, . . . "	62
	Tithe Schedules, . . . "	177
	Tr. Rems. Process, . . . "	84
	Custodiam Orders, . . . "	112
	Attachments, . . . "	56
	Assistance Schedules, . . . "	22
	Estreats, . . . "	24
	Custodiam Rolls, . . . rolls,	15
	Informations and Answers, bundles,	71
	Leases, . . . "	11
	Sheriffs' Accounts, . . . "	10
	Exannuals, . . . "	27
	Rule Books, . . . vols.	67
	Absolute Order Books, . . . "	94
	Injunction Order Books, . . . "	18
	Conditional Order Books, . . . "	24
	Pipe Order Books, . . . "	42
	Custodiam Order Books, . . . "	33
	Pipe Custodiam Order Books, . . . "	26

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
BENCHERS' BUILDING— <i>continued.</i>	Custodiams, vols.	26
	Custodiam Enrolments, „	12
	Books of Orders (<i>Ex parte</i> Rem.), „	66
	Comptroller's Books, Dublin, „	16
	Miscellaneous, bundles,	519
	„ Books, „	115
	<i>Law Exchequer.</i>	
	Judgments on Confession, bundles,	35
	„ in Ejectment, „	11
	„ on Sci. Fa., „	89
	Affidavits (Common), „	74
	„ in Ejectment, „	111
	Cepi's, „	39
	Records issued, &c., „	16
	Pleadings and Declarations, „	32
	Judgments (Miscellaneous), „	25
	Posteas, „	16
	Miscellaneous, „	54
	<i>Law Exchequer.</i>	
	Affidavits (Common), bundles,	273
	„ of Contempt, „	116
	„ in Ejectment, „	243
	„ Service of Capias, „	17
	„ Service of Rules for Judgment, „	13
	„ Service of Subpœna, „	16
	Broken Filings, „	313
	Certificates Plaintiffs' Debt, „	13
	Cognovits, „	216
	Declarations, „	193
	Ejectments, „	135
	Inquisitions, „	47
Vaults.	Judgments on Confession, „	113
	„ by Default, „	23
	„ in Ejectment, „	127
	„ on Inquisition, „	118
	„ on Nil Dicit, „	200
	„ on Postea, „	52
	„ on Postea and Inquisition, „	37
	„ on Sci. Fa., „	111
	Nil Dicits, „	11
	Nil Sci. Fa., „	11
	Non Ests, „	81
	Pleadings, „	171
	Posteas, „	72
	Second Declarations, „	11
	Venires, „	41

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
BENCHERS' BUILDING— Vaults— <i>continued</i> .	Warrants of Attorney, . . . bundles,	31
	Writs, „	13
	Miscellaneous, „	88
CUSTOM HOUSE, . . .	Vouchers for Ex. Accts., . . . bundles,	543
	Agricultural Returns and Statistics, . . . bundles,	600
	Imprest Accounts sacks,	119
	Census Papers, bundles,	1,560
	Ordnance Survey (Portfolios), . . . vols.	47
	Crown Rentals, „	134
	Rent Roll Books, „	43
	Composition Rents, „	22
	Forfeitures (1688), „	205
	Quit and Crown Rents, „	365
	Books of Survey, „	102
	Value of Lands, various Counties in Ireland, vols.	43
	Reports and Schedules, „	35
	Down Survey and Vallancy Maps, „	39
	Patents (Book enrolment of), . . . „	79
	Dup. Conveyances of Crown Rents, „	40
	Assignments of Power of Attorney, „	41
	King's Letters, „	46
	Exchequer Orders, „	20
	Crown Rent Receipt Books, . . . „	228
	Rolls (Pipe, &c.), bundles,	1,940
	Twopenny Books (4,741 vols.,) „	314
	Incumbrance Rolls, „	140
	Office Books, vols.	108
	Statutes (260 vols.), bundles,	40
	Relief Commissioners (207 vols.,) . . . bundles,	30
	First Fruits (223 rolls, portfolios, &c.,) . . . bundles,	36
	Customs Deeds, „	23
	Parliamentary Reports (1,717 vols.,) . . . bundles,	168
	Cash Books (291 vols.,) . . . „	48
	Life Annuity Books (793 vols.,) „	46
	Ledgers (240 vols.), „	76
	Loan and Interest Books (342 vols.,) . . . bundles,	71
	Ex. and Au. Rolls (628 rolls,) „	173
	Customs and Port Accounts, „	1,210
	Indexes, vols.	45
	Miscellaneous (455 sacks, 4,166 vols., rolls, &c.,) bundles,	851
	Total,	33,363

Intern Operations.

44. The twenty-four bays at the north-east end of the Record Treasury which, at the date of my last Report, were in process of construction, have been made ready for the reception of their final fittings; and in five of them those fittings have been set up. As, however, the distances of the fittings both vertical and horizontal, vary with the nature of the Records deposited; and the process of depositing the Chancery Rolls and Pleadings, with which the intern arrangements have commenced, is (and during the progress of extern operations will continue to be) slow, it has not been deemed advisable to allow the adjustment of the fittings to outrun the preparation for deposit of the Records destined for them.

24 new Bay constructed.

45. In designing these details regard has been had to a variety of considerations which give to the undertaking a somewhat complex character. As explained in my First Report, the floors and partitions of the bays have been constructed in iron. To carry out this fireproof construction into the detail of the fittings, and yet keep the contents from contact with the metal, was a primary condition to be observed in any endeavour to improve on the system of wooden shelving.

Fittings set up *pari passu* with deposit of Records.

Conditions regarded in designing the Fittings:

I. Security against fire.

II. Non-contact of Records with iron.

46. All arrangements of fixed shelving of whatever material were liable to the objection that if the pieces were to be arranged so as to secure the accessibility of each without disturbing any other, the shelves, no matter how deep, could only be utilized to the extent of their frontage. On this account, from one-half to two-thirds of the space provided in the original design for the reception of Records, was practically lost; so that it became another element in any new arrangement, to devise such a disposition of the pieces as would at once occupy the whole depth of the receptacles, and yet leave each piece capable of being abstracted without disturbance of any other.

III. Separate accessibility of each piece.

IV. Economy of space.

47. It had also been observed that the effects of sunlight and air on the pleadings temporarily deposited in the western bays were even more injurious than their contact with the iron fittings. The parchments so exposed lost their suppleness, and showed a tendency to become spotted. The same observation as regards loss of suppleness had been made in respect to the parchments kept in open shelves in Benchers' Building. These, as compared with the Chancery Pleadings, kept in close presses, were known to be distinguishable by their inferior strength and toughness. On this mischief declaring itself, blinds were adapted to the western windows, by which excesses of heat and light are excluded save during the time of searching. This experience suggested as a further object to be aimed at in the new arrangement that the receptacles should be as deep, and so, as far removed from the glare of light, as might be compatible with sufficient floor space.

V. Removal of Parchments from excess of light and air.

48. These conditions have been substantially fulfilled in the tray system adopted for the large mass of Rolls, Pleadings, and other unbound documents. The trays employed are open frames of "angle" iron, one flange of which forms a ledge sustaining cross-supports, on which the contents are suspended. These trays slide on horizontal iron bearers disposed at regular vertical

Required conditions met by the system of Tray Fittings described.

distances between iron uprights. To protect the parchments from injurious contact, the sides of the tray are fitted with a light shoeing of wood, which also serves to make the tray slide in and out more smoothly. This and the cross-bearers supporting the documents, which do not exceed one-tenth of an inch in thickness, are the only inflammable materials employed, and are so enveloped in non-combustible substances, and so insignificant in quantity, that no flame proceeding from their combustion could reach the fittings of the trays next above. The disposition of the pieces across the trays secures their several accessibility; it being only necessary to draw the tray out to such a distance as will bring the piece required to the front, when it can be picked out and returned without interfering with any other; and the trays being four feet in depth, and arranged in double blocks abutting on the wall-spaces between the windows, are removed from direct light and from sudden changes of temperature.

Trays four feet
in depth.

Apparatus for
sustaining
Trays during
search.

Mode of deposit
in Trays.

Extent to
which space
economized.

The system
new in princi-
ple and detail.

49. When the document required occupies a place in the anterior part of the tray, the operation of searching is facile; but when, to get at the piece required, the tray has to be drawn out past its balancing point, a supplemental appliance becomes necessary to sustain the weight, which in the case of Chancery Pleadings is not less on an average than 130 lbs. per tray. Several designs for this purpose having been tried, the preference has been given to an apparatus which traverses the floor lengthwise, and being brought opposite the tray required to be drawn, receives it on corresponding bearers, and sustains it while the workman makes his search.

50. The parchment Pleadings are made up in "books" or *fasciculi* folded over their supports, to which they are attached by bands carrying their labels. They are arranged in consecutive chronological series, so that the date of any Pleading being known from the Bill Book, the "book" containing the documents of that day can at once be found. The "book" being then laid open, the particular document is withdrawn, and an accountable docket being inserted under the band, the "book" and tray are returned to their receptacle.

51. The average number of such "books" to a tray is fifty, and the extent to which this close method of packing economizes space may be judged of from the fact that the whole collection of Chancery Pleadings which in the Rolls Record Room and adjoining apartments occupied an area of about 60,000 cubic feet will, it is calculated, fit into six bays containing about 20,000 cubic feet of the new construction.

52. It has been thought proper thus fully to describe the fittings and apparatus in use in this office, inasmuch as while they answer the requirements of Record deposit and of economy of space in a high degree, they are altogether new in principle and in detail, and may, perhaps, usefully attract the attention of those occupied in similar undertakings elsewhere. They have been adopted here, not from any desire to introduce novelties of construction or of arrangement, but as the natural, and, indeed, necessary, complement of the great divisions and general fire-proof design of the building as it came into my hands.

53. The order in which the Chancery Pleadings came from the Rolls Record Room, viz., in alternate lots of Bills and Answers, was carefully preserved in their original deposit in the Record Treasury. But in casting the Transfer Books of this part of the collection into the form of a General Index, it was found more convenient, while preserving the place-references, to re-arrange the subject-matter in such manner as that all the Bills should constitute one series, and all the Answers another. In the internal transfer of these Pleadings from their first place of deposit to the fittings prepared for their final reception the same principle has been adopted; and while the Bills of each year have been left in their original places, the process has begun of casting the several sets of Answers into one continuous date-series as part of their preparation for being placed in their trays. When all the Answers shall have been placed, the same process will be adopted with the Bills. In both it has been found necessary to begin at the latest date and work backward, so as to ensure the completion of the arrangement within a definite space.

Preparation of the Chancery Pleadings for intern transfer.

Recast into continuous series of Bills and Answers.

54. In the progress of these arrangements an opportunity presented itself for further simplifying the means of reference, and bringing the Chancery Pleadings into the same state of complete chronological sequence as those of the Equity Exchequer. These latter, as they left their shelves in Benchers' Building ran in a continuous order from 1684 to 1850. The Chancery Pleadings, during the earlier and later portions of the period covered by them, ran in a like sequence; but, for the space of one hundred and ten years, from 1726 to 1837, the sequence of each year was broken up into as many subordinate sequences of date as there were Six Clerks, the pleadings of each Six-Clerk being filed separately. The name of the Six-Clerk, although forming a necessary item in the search docket so long as this divided mode of deposit continues, adds nothing to the necessary search-indications when all are merged in a continuous date-series. As the process of making up the "books" was carried back towards the part of the collection affected by the Six-Clerks' practice, it was considered desirable that these subdivisions of the Pleadings for the one hundred and ten years in question should be broken up and thrown into continuous date-series. This has been the most extensive and critical operation undertaken within the Record office. At the close of the year it had been effected from 1837 to 1797. It has been attended with the incidental advantage of detecting and rectifying a considerable number of misplacements. A new key connecting the old books of reference with the present places of deposit has been completed *pari passu* with the Intern Transfer.

Further recast so as to eliminate the references to names of Six Clerks.

Misplacements rectified.

55. The number of Pleadings-Books or *fasciculi* which at the close of the year were placed, or were ready for being placed, in their trays, was 2,135, comprising the Answers of three years and the Bills of ten years. The number of trays prepared for pleadings was one hundred and thirty-four. The whole process has demanded constant and systematic supervision, and has been so far carried out without confusion, although from time to time interrupted by Extern Requirements.

Extent of preparation.

Preparation of
Rolls of
Chancery.

Ribbon Rolls.

Book Rolls.

Extent of
preparation.

The Tray sys-
tem applicable
to other classes
of Records.

Inventions
Patents'
Collection.

First Report,
No. 30.

Cost of
binding the
unbound
arrears of

Will be dis-
pensd with in
future by de-
posit in Trays.

Duplicate
Deeds affecting
rights of the
Crown
treated in like
manner.

56. The preparation of the Rolls of Chancery for deposit in their trays consists in the attachment or introduction of axes or bearers. The Rolls are of two kinds: Ribbon Rolls, in which the membranes are attached to one another successively, so as to form a continuous band or ribbon; and Book Rolls, in which all the membranes are stitched together at the top like the leaves of a book which opens end-wise. All the modern Rolls are made up in this latter form, as affording superior facility of reference; but the Book Roll, when it exceeds six inches in diameter, will not fold concentrically, and it may here be observed that the Decree Rolls of the Court of Equity Exchequer and the modern Judgment Rolls of the Courts of Common Law are also made up book-wise, and from their great size (some of them being nearly two feet in diameter) are excessively unwieldy, and cannot be deposited without great waste of space unless by subdividing and remaking them. It has not been found necessary to divide more than a few of the Book Rolls of Chancery; but their tendency to fold out of centre has necessitated the employment of a particular form of bearer the extremities of which are eccentric to the axis. Of these 359 were prepared, and 239 attached to the Rolls at the end of the year. The remainder of the Chancery Rolls being of the Ribbon kind, will be mounted with comparative facility. Forty-six trays have been prepared for the reception of Chancery Rolls. The extent to which space is so economized may be judged of from the fact that each tray, occupying the frontage of a single Roll, contains on an average seven Rolls in depth.

57. The same principle of arrangement in trays is applicable to a great variety of other matters besides Rolls and Pleadings. Wherever the documents can be folded into *fasciculi* of uniform size, the principle applies. The Inventions Patents' Collection is an example. When brought from the Rolls office there was an arrear of four years unarranged, and six years unbound sheets. By permission of the Lords of the Treasury a special clerk was employed to arrange these for the bookbinder; and the services of a bookbinder having been obtained from the Stationery Office 234 volumes of Specifications, and 101 volumes of illustrative Drawings were bound and in process of binding at the close of the year. Since the last sheets were prepared for the binder the success of the method of deposit employed for the Chancery Pleadings has induced the idea of making up the Inventions Papers as they arrive in similar *fasciculi*, and depositing them unbound in receptacles of the same description; and a considerable number of such *fasciculi* are already so placed in consultable order, with like economy of space, and at a comparatively nominal cost.

58. Another class of instruments which it is proposed should be preserved in like manner are the duplicate conveyances of Quit and Crown Rents and Licences, Leases, &c., from the Crown which are sent to this office for preservation. The volumes into which these instruments have hitherto been collected are of inconvenient size, and afford no additional security or convenience of reference to compensate the expense of binding.

59. The process of placing the bundles of Petitions, Reports, Preparation and filling of Portfolios. &c., from the office of the Registrar of the Court of Chancery in portfolios has been continued in the intervals of the more pressing duties. At the close of the year 186 bundles of Reports and 55 bundles of Receivers' Accounts, had been placed in portfolios. The pattern of portfolio adopted is an adaptation of that which is commonly in use on the Continent, with a diminution in the number, and an improved adjustment, of the fastenings.

60. Some progress has been made in cleaning and flattening the early Chancery Pleadings, for which no Bill Books exist. There are 149 bundles which will have to undergo this process, and for which Bill Books or other Indexes will be required, before they can be said to be consultable. The Pleadings for the year 1619, have been so prepared in the intervals of Mr. Tucker's other engagements. He has also carried forward the arrangement of the Fiantis from No. 1, Henry VIII., to No. 274 of Philip and Mary, being 2,044 Fiantis in seven portfolios. Preparation of early Chancery Pleadings for deposit.

61. By the removal of the Vice-Chancellor and his staff to the new Court and offices in the old Rolls Record Building, the whole of the Record House here was placed at the disposal of this department early in September, 1869. Fittings for the Public Search Room had been prepared before the arrangement for devoting that apartment temporarily to the Vice-Chancellor's use was contemplated. These were re-erected, and the Search Room made ready for the reception of the public early in Michaelmas Term. Allocation of apartments in Record House. Public Search Room opened Michaelmas, 1869.

62. Steps have been taken to make one of the rooms of the ground floor, opening on the Search Room, fireproof, by the introduction of a concrete ceiling, so that the more important Bill Books and Indexes, of which no duplicates exist, may be at all times free from danger of any fire originating in the Record House. A redistribution of the Officers' apartments at the same time took place, by which space has been afforded for the conversion of two rooms in the eastern wing (one of them being over the safe) into a laboratory and Foreman's work-room, through which private access can be had to the Treasury by a stair constructed in the open space between it and the Record House. Care has been taken that the construction of this stair shall not interfere with the isolation of the Treasury. Fire-proof Index-Room being constructed; with Laboratory and Workshop in Eastern wing.

63. The Secretary's offices which, during the presence of the Vice-Chancellor, were in the attic, have been removed to the first floor of the western wing. A particular apartment has here been provided for the Master of the Rolls; and in another the nucleus has been formed of a Library. Secretary's Department, &c., in Western wing.

64. The progress made to the end of the year 1869, as well in filling the receptacles originally provided in the Record Treasury as in the construction of the new bays, and erection of fittings, will appear from the subjoined tabular epitome, which may be regarded as representing a longitudinal section of the building. The basement corridor (not shown on the corresponding table of last year, as being then vacant) is indicated in plan, between the sectional elevations of the sides. The work of 1869 is shown in red, as distinguished from that of 1868, in black ink. Present state of Record Treasury.

65. The fees received in the Search and Transcribing Department of the office here during the past year amount to £311 6s. The details of the work appear by the annexed Table, the charges 1s. per folio indicating the transcription of documents of date prior to the reign of George III.

FEES RECEIVED in the YEAR to 31st DECEMBER, 1869.

Date	Inspections.	Folios at 1s.	Folios at 6d.	—	—
January, . . .	24	—	—	£ s. d. 1 4 0	£ s. d.
	—	134	—	6 14 0	
	—	—	541	13 10 6	21 8 6
February, . . .	36	—	—	1 16 0	
	—	74	—	3 14 0	
	—	—	304	7 12 0	13 2 0
March, . . .	18	—	—	0 18 0	
	—	220	—	11 0 0	
	—	—	767	19 3 6	31 1 6
April, . . .	26	—	—	1 6 0	
	—	—	—	—	
	—	—	338	8 9 0	9 15 0
May, . . .	24	—	—	1 4 0	
	—	38	—	1 18 0	
	—	—	505	12 12 6	15 14 6
June, . . .	40	—	—	2 0 0	
	—	45	—	2 5 0	
	—	—	716	17 18 0	22 3 0
July, . . .	35	—	—	1 15 0	
	—	1,078	—	53 18 0	
	—	—	183	4 11 6	60 4 6
August, . . .	22	—	—	1 2 0	
	—	392	—	19 12 0	
	—	—	146	3 13 0	24 7 0
September, . .	17	—	—	0 17 0	
	—	481	—	24 1 0	
	—	—	131	3 5 6	28 3 6
October, . . .	16	—	—	0 16 0	
	—	79	—	3 19 0	
	—	—	1,072	26 16 0	31 11 0
November, . . .	30	—	—	1 10 0	
	—	304	—	15 4 0	
	—	—	777	19 8 6	36 2 6
December, . . .	17	—	—	0 17 0	
	—	62	—	3 2 0	
	—	—	548	13 14 0	17 13 0
	305	2,907	6,208	—	£311 6 0

The Fees at the Custom-house branch for the same period amount to £45 17s. 2d.

CUSTOM-HOUSE BRANCH.—FEES.

Date.	Constats.	Searches.	Copies.	Traces.	—
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
January, . . .	1 5 0	1 18 0	1 12 0	0 10 0	5 5 0
February, . . .	2 8 4	1 12 0	0 10 0	0 15 0	5 5 4
March, . . .	5 7 4	0 12 0	0 9 8	—	6 9 0
April, . . .	2 12 4	2 6 0	1 8 0	1 5 0	7 11 4
May, . . .	2 8 0	0 1 0	1 8 0	—	3 17 0
June, . . .	0 10 0	1 1 0	1 0 0	—	2 11 0
July, . . .	0 5 0	0 7 0	1 5 0	0 10 0	2 7 0
August, . . .	—	0 3 0	5 3 0	1 0 0	6 6 0
September, . . .	1 10 0	0 11 0	1 0 0	1 12 6	4 13 6
October, . . .	1 10 0	0 2 0	—	—	1 12 0
Total, . . .	£ 45 17 2				

The total of the Fees at both offices amounts to £357 3s. 2d., from which, deducting £15 5s. for inspections, it will be seen that for attested copies the amount received at both offices during the year is £341 18s. 2d.

66. Of this amount, £145 7s. 0d. is in respect of ancient copy transcribed at this office. The copies of this class extend from the 13 Richard II. to end of George II. Notwithstanding that the time of the junior officers has been to a great extent engrossed by extern duties, they have become sufficiently skilled in Record-reading to be capable, with occasional assistance, of transcribing all documents which have hitherto been called for.

67. In addition to the work represented by the above sum, the following business was, during the same period, transacted at the Custom-house branch for Public Departments:—

Month.	Reports.	Searches.	Maps exhibited for Tracings.	Discharging Rents from Rental.	Entering Patents and other Appointments.	Certificates in duplicate.
January, . . .	7	20	16	1	7	14
February, . . .	12	41	7	—	—	—
March, . . .	3	6	9	—	—	—
April, . . .	8	5	14	—	—	—
May, . . .	6	3	6	—	—	—
June, . . .	2	2	4	1	1	2
July, . . .	6	9	7	—	—	—
August, . . .	—	67	8	—	2	4
September, . . .	5	13	11	—	—	—
October, . . .	1	—	—	—	—	—
Total, . . .	50	166	82	2	10	20

Indexing and Calendaring Operations.

Indexes and
Calendars.
Equity
Exchequer
Decrees.

68. Besides the several Indexes referred to in the previous paragraphs of this Report, a draft Index has been made to the Equity Exchequer Decrees from the year 1624 to 1850, in the names of their causes, arranged alphabetically for each year. The Decrees themselves have been numbered according to their years, cleaned, pressed, flattened, and tied up in convenient-sized bundles for portfolios. This Index has been fairly engrossed from the draft, for public use, up to the year 1728.

Chancery
Decrees.

69. The Index to Chancery Decrees, removed from the Registrar's office, has been continued from 1843 down to the end of 1844. It is made to names of causes, and gives the dates of signing and filing each decree.

Shannon
Commission.

70. The enrolments of Inquisitions, Judgments, Awards and Conveyances relating to the Shannon Commission under the Acts 5 & 6 Wm. IV., cap. 67, and 2 & 3 Vic., cap. 61, have been indexed alphabetically under the claimants' names.

Ecclesiastical
Deeds.

71. The Index to Ecclesiastical Deeds under the Acts 3 & 4 Wm. IV., cap. 37, and 4 & 5 Wm. IV., cap. 90, and enrolled pursuant to 6 & 7 Wm. IV., cap. 99, received from the Rolls office, has been continued to the present time.

Ulster Railway
Company.

72. An Index Locorum has also been prepared to the enrolments of warrants for inquisitions of the Ulster Railway Company, and the Sheriffs' Judgments thereunder for the Counties of Antrim, Armagh, and Down, made under the Private Acts, 6 & 7 Wm. IV., cap. 33. These Warrants and Judgments have been cleaned, pressed, and bound.

Drainage
Awards.

73. The enrolments of Awards, pursuant to the "Drainage Act," have been indexed under their several counties in the names of the districts; and the later ones have been assorted and bound.

Rolls of
Parochial
Endowments
and Perpetual
Curacies.

74. An Index to five Patent Rolls of George III., containing endowments of Parishes and perpetual Curacies, that had been omitted in the Index transferred with them, has been supplied.

Chancery
Reports.

75. The Reports in Chancery, which commence in the year 1715, are being arranged in dictionary order in their several portfolios, to facilitate reference. An Index to them, in the names of their causes, is in progress.

Calendar of
Disentailing
Deed Rolls.

76. The calendaring of the Disentailing Deed Rolls has been continued from the Deed No. 834, enrolled 31st December, 1839, with which Mr. Hatchell's calendar closes, to Deed No. 1,233, enrolled in June, 1842.

Chancery
General Index.

77. The general detailed Index to the Records of the Court of Chancery has been completed to page 392.

Literary Inquiries.

78. It was not until the close of the year that suitable provision could be made for the reception of this class of inquiries. The advantages of these means of investigation are as yet but little known. The number of inquiries during the year was fourteen.

The subjects embraced :—State Papers, James I. ; Carte Transcripts : History of Families of Clanricarde, Burke, Barrymore, Carleton. Fitzgibbon, and Adair ; Patent Roll, 24–25 Henry VIII. ; Stratford Survey ; Down Survey ; Council Order Book ; Inquisitions, co. Clare.

Donations.

I have to acknowledge the following donations during the year 1869, to the Department :—

From the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury—

Transcripts of Carte Papers. Eleven volumes.

Fac-similes of National MSS. One volume.

From his Excellency Chevalier Nigra—

Glossæ Hibernicæ Veteres Codicis Taurinensis : Paris, 1869.

From Parke Neville, esq., C.E.—

City Engineer's Report to Corporation of Dublin on State of the Public Works, 1869.

From W. Groves, esq.—

Inquisition, 38 Elizabeth, taken at Loughlogher, in the county of Tipperary.

79. The office of Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland became vacant by the demise of the first Keeper under the Act, the Right Hon. John Edward Walsh, M.R., on 20th October, 1869, and continued vacant during the remainder of the year.

80. I continue to receive prompt assistance in all matters within their department from the Commissioners of Public Works and their architect ; and have to express my entire satisfaction in the zeal and assiduity with which the officers and workmen of the department continue to discharge their respective duties.

All which is humbly submitted to your Excellency.

Dated at the Public Record Office
of Ireland, Four Courts, Dublin,
this 2nd day of March, 1870.

(Signed).

SAMUEL FERGUSON,

Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland.

I humbly certify to your Excellency that this Report is made by the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, under my direction, pursuant to the Statute.

(Signed),

EDWARD SULLIVAN, M.R.

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX No. 1.

EXTRACT from REPORT of MICHAEL MOLONEY and THOMAS M'GHEE, Esqrs., on the TRANSFER of RECORDS from CROWN OFFICE, COURT of QUEEN'S BENCH.

In pursuance of instructions received from you, we proceeded on the 13th October, 1868, to prepare for transfer to this office the Records at present deposited in the Crown Office, Queen's Bench.

The collection we found to consist of 881 bundles distributed throughout 68 presses (Nos. 736 to 803 inclusive), in two rooms called in this Report Rooms No. 1 and No. 2.

The Records in Room No. 1 may be conveniently classed under twelve heads, viz. :—

1. Enrolments of Indictments, Judgments, &c., beginning from the 5th & 6th James I. Several gaps occur in this series ; the following are the principal :—

From 7th to 14th James I.
 „ 17th & 18th do.
 From 1st to 5th Charles I.
 1st William III.
 1st & 2nd Anne.
 1st & 2nd William IV.

2. Writs from 1692 to 1849, and Writs of Error from 1834 to 1848. Some of the Writs we found it would be almost impossible to arrange in chronological order ; these we tied up in seven bundles labelled “Miscellaneous.”

3. Indictments from Hilary, 1682. The following gaps occur in this series :—

From 1683 to 1687	
	1689
From 1714 to 1720	From 1797 to 1810
„ 1722 „ 1761	„ 1812 „ 1818
„ 1776 „ 1778	„ 1838 „ 1842
„ 1789 „ 1795	
	1845
	1847.

4. Informations from 1720, and Informations *ex officio* commencing 1815.

There are apparently no Informations for the following years, viz. :—1794, 1803, 1831, 1840 ; nor any *ex-officio* Informations for 1817, 1822, 1825 to 1828, 1834, 1838.

5. Writs, &c., of Mandamus from the reign of William III. This series is perfect.

6. Plea Rolls belonging to the civil side of the Court, consisting of the following :—

1 Roll of Elizabeth, 34th year.	5 Rolls of Charles I., 2nd year.
3 Rolls of James I., 4th "	4 " " 3rd "
4 " " 5th "	5 " " 4th "
4 " " 6th "	3 " " 5th "
6 " " 7th "	4 " " 6th "
3 " " 8th "	5 " " 7th "
3 " " 9th "	2 " " 8th "
4 " " 10th "	5 " " 9th "
3 " " 11th "	4 " " 10th "
8 " " 12th "	3 " " 11th "
4 " " 14th "	4 " " 12th "
3 " " 15th "	4 " " 13th "
4 " " 16th "	6 " " 14th "
4 " " 17th "	2 " " 15th "
3 " " 18th "	3 " " 16th "
2 " " 19th "	4 " " 17th "
4 " " 20th "	1 Roll " 19th "
3 " " 21st "	1 " Cromwell, (1655)
4 " " 22nd "	1 " " (1657)
3 " Charles I., 1st "	

7. Writs, &c., of Certiorari from 1732. This Collection is nearly perfect.

8. Affidavits commencing 1690. The series is perfect from 1711.

9. Interrogatories from 1702.

10. Records of Nisi Prius from 16 Geo. II. The following gaps occur in this series, viz. :—From 33 Geo. II. to 1762 ; from 1792 to 1795, 1831.

11. Recognizances commencing 1776.

12. Miscellaneous, comprising Exceptions, Inquisitions, &c.

In Room No. 2 the various classes of documents may be included under three heads, viz. :—

1. Presentments, city and county of Dublin. (The city Presentments commence in 1722, and those for the county in 1771.) Quere Books, Maps, &c.

2. Records belonging to Commission Courts, consisting of Indictments, Pardons, Recognizances, Rule Books, &c., chiefly between 1710 and 1800.

3. Miscellaneous—Inquisitions, Gaol Calendars, &c.

The Lord Chief Justice has issued a certificate (Appendix No. 2), under which several classes of Records, which we had prepared for transfer, are for the present to remain in the Crown Office.

As mentioned above, we began on the 13th October, 1868, to prepare for removal the contents of the two rooms. Each parcel was carefully dusted, entered in the Transfer Book, and, with a label affixed, was replaced in its former position. The operation was completed on the 28th October. For various reasons the actual transfer was delayed for some time. At length it began on the 28th January, 1869, and was completed on 30th January. The collection is now deposited in Bay 2 F, and occupies 130 shelves.

APPENDIX No. 2.

"THE PUBLIC RECORDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1867," 30th and 31st
Victoria, chap. 70, sec. 14.

I, the Right Honorable James Whiteside, Lord Chief Justice of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench in Ireland, do hereby certify under my hand that it will be conducive to the due performance of the business of the Crown side of the said Court, that the Records specified in the schedule hereto subjoined shall not be delivered into the custody of the Master of the Rolls at the end of twenty years from the making thereof.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS to be retained in the CROWN OFFICE under
this CERTIFICATE.

	Date from which to be retained.	Press.
Articles of the Peace,	From the year 1800.	29
Certiorari, Writs and Returns,		29
Correspondence and Returns,		15
Error, Writs and Proceedings,		5
Indictments,		4
Informations, ex-officio, by Master of the Crown Office (including Quo Warranto),		6-7
Interrogatories and Answers,		29
Nisi Prius, Records and Postestas,		26
Recognizances,		16
Writs, Habeas Corpus, Attachments, Jury Pro- cess, &c.,		17
Rule Books,	From their commence- ment.	27-8
Fee, Entry Books,		

(Signed,) JAMES WHITESIDE, Chief Justice.

23rd January, 1869.

APPENDIX, No. 3.

EXTRACT from REPORT of JAMES MILLS, esq., on the ARRANGE-
MENT of the LITTON COLLECTION.

The arrangement of the Litton Collection, transferred under the circumstances mentioned in your first Report, p. 8, was commenced 21st November, 1868, and the general sorting completed by the 24th December following; but owing to the interruptions caused by the more important business of the Department, the indexing and final arrangement were not concluded before the end of the following year, 1869.

The Collection naturally divides itself into Cause Papers, Deeds, and Miscellanea.

Cause Papers include :—

- Charges and Discharges.
- Statements of Facts.
- Receivers' Accounts.
- Depositions taken in aid of Accounts.
- Affidavits of Service.
- „ of Amount of Rent, &c.
- Rentals.
- Tenants' Proposals.
- Undertakings to act as Receivers, Trustees, or Guardians.
- Requisitions to tax Costs.
- Bills of Costs.
- Notes of Hearings.
- „ of Sales.
- Draft Conveyances, &c.
- „ Reports.
- „ Masters' Orders.
- „ Rulings.
- „ Receivers' Accounts.

With attested copies lodged during the progress of Causes, &c.

As none of these form any kind of series, it would be impossible to give the periods over which they extend, but I may mention that very few bear date earlier than 1790.

The great bulk of this portion of the Collection, which includes about 70,000 Documents, had been placed temporarily in Bay U, and presented an imperfect arrangement, into twenty-four heaps, according to the first letter of the cause or matter to which they related. The remainder, partaking partially of the same arrangement, was spread through Bays 1 E, 1 G, 1 H, 1 I, and 1 K.

Each Paper has been examined, and those belonging to the same cause or matter tied together and labelled with the name of the cause and the position of the bundle in the Record Treasury. These bundles number in all 8,080. A complete alphabetical index has been made to them, and placed, as a means of reference, in the Search Room.

Deeds.—Exclusive of those in boxes, referred to in your above mentioned Report, p. 9, there are 520 Conveyances, Assignments, Marriage Settlements, Bankrupts' Assignments, Leases, &c., extending from 1662 to 1852, and brought into the Master's Office at various times in the course of suits. To these I have, by your directions, prepared the annexed index, containing the names of all the principal parties and the date of each Deed. With these were a number of Leases, made, pending causes, by Masters King and Connor, which I have arranged according to their dates. Similar Leases from the other Masters will be found in their proper places among the Cause Papers, in which portion of the Collection they were found.

Miscellanea include the following :—

About 150 Commercial and other Account, Letter, and Memorandum Books, many of which contain nothing to show to whom they belonged,

or even the cause in which they were exhibited. Among these I found the following Office Books:—

Office Account Book, January to June, 1810.

Receipt Book for Exhibits returned, 1811–1814.

An Official Diary (with index), 1823–1827.

A List of taxed Costs, containing name of cause, amount of costs, and amount certified, with index incomplete, 1849–1852.

A volume of Certified Costs of Master Coffey, from 19th to 30th June, 1865. This volume has been returned to Master Coffey by your orders.

A Letter from Patrick Rainalds to Lord Claneboye, Dublin, 21st March, 1629, recounting certain proceedings in the House of Commons.

An Order by the Lord Deputy and Council, 15th May, 1655, for a month's pay to Captain Warren's Troop. It is indorsed "Horse, No. 89."

Award by the Committee of Adventurers to John Kilbie, of Lands in "North-west quarter, No. 4," of Lune Barony, county Meath.

A number of private letters and fragments, of which no arrangement has been made.

As no means of reference to any of the Documents in the Collection has been found, the indexes as well as the arrangement has been entirely the work of this Department.

INDEX to Deeds in Collection of Records coming from Repositories of the Right Hon. EDWARD LITTON, Master in Chancery.

Abell, *see* Franklin.

Abbott and Nelson to Dowell, . Assignment, . . . 1811

Abbott, Thomas, to Atkinson, . Lease, . . . 1791

„ to Middleton, . Conveyance, . . . 1798

„ *see* Jackson.

Abbott *see* Dowell.

„ „ Falkner.

Acheson „ Forde.

Adams „ Forde.

„ „ Taaffe.

Adamson „ Malone.

Agar „ Franklin.

Agnew „ First Fruits.

Aldbrough, Earl, to Henry, . Deed, . . . 1801

„ to Eardley, . Mortgage, . . . 1803

Allen, *see* Deey,

Alt *v.* Sadlier :

O'Meara Morgan to Sadlier, . Agreement, . . . 1723

Sadlier to Chawner and Alt. . Lease, . . . 1724

O'Meara to Sadlier, . Deed, . . . 1732

„ and Pennefather, . Mem. Marriage Settlement, 1751

„ Kilpatrick and Duggan, Conveyance, . . . 1778

„ Thomas, to Sadlier, Thos. Sale, . . . 1814

Sadlier to Alt, . Deed, . . . 1747

Anderson to Pearson, . Assignment of Lease, . 1759

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Armstrong to Varley,	Lease,	1755
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„ <i>see</i> Hobhouse.		
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Bannon to M'Entire,	Lease,	1813
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Barry to Metge,	Renewal,	1780
Batchelor, <i>see</i> Fitzpatrick.		
„ <i>see</i> Milliken.		
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Beamish, <i>see</i> Franklin.		
„ <i>see</i> Rose.		
Beaumont, <i>see</i> Thom.		
Beeby, Magrath, Ferrall,	Assignment,	1809
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„ to Boylan,	Assignment,	1788
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Bernard, <i>see</i> Hobhouse.		
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„ <i>see</i> Gabbett.		
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Bourke, <i>see</i> Hobhouse.		
Bowen, <i>see</i> Burke.		
Bowerman, <i>see</i> Hogan.		
Bowling, <i>see</i> Paisley.		
Bowler, <i>see</i> Stoney.		
Boylan, Edward,	Probate of Will,	1792
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<i>see</i> Roberts.		
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" <i>see</i> Cuthbert.		
" <i>see</i> King.		
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" to Broderick,	"	1819
" to ";	Leases,	1820
" to Connolly,	Lease,	1820
" to Finerty,	"	1808
" to Gannan,	"	1810
" to Horan,	"	1813
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APPENDIX No. 4.

When, in pursuance of any Order of the Lord Chancellor, the Master of the Rolls, or the Vice-Chancellor, it shall be necessary to make any Amendment in or to enter any Vacate or other matter upon, any Pleading or other document deposited in the Public Record Office ; or when it may be necessary to enter thereon any Suggestion ; on the proper Officer of the Record and Writ Office attending at the Search Department of the Public Record Office, and exhibiting to the Officer there in charge such Order (if any), and on his signing a requisition for such Pleading or other Document in the Bespeak Book, such Pleading or other Document, and all proper Books in relation thereto, shall be produced to him, and he may thereupon make such Amendment or Entry, and also every proper Entry connected therewith in any Bill.

Book, Index, or other Book of Reference in said Department; and a Book shall be kept in the Public Record Office, containing a list of all such Amendments or Entries, with the dates thereof, under proper heads.

JOHN E. WALSH, *M.R.*

Dec. 17th, 1868.

APPENDIX No. 5.

To the RIGHT HONORABLE the MASTER of the ROLLS.—The SECOND REPORT of SIR BERNARD BURKE, C.B., ULSTER, KEEPER of the STATE PAPERS in the RECORD TOWER, DUBLIN CASTLE, dated 1st February, 1870.

SIR,—My first Report, dated 1st February, 1869, explained the constitution of my office of Keeper of the State Papers (the staff of which comprises myself as Keeper, and my two Clerks, Mr. George F. Barry, and Mr. John Joseph Maginn), and referred to the duties imposed on me by the "Public Record (Ireland) Act, 1867."

By that Act those duties are declared to be threefold :—

1. To prepare finally, for transfer to the new Public Record Office, the contents of the three depositories, viz. :—The Bermingham Tower Record Room, the Parliamentary Record Office, and the Record Commission Department.
2. To receive the current papers and books of the Chief Secretary's Office, and the Council Office, and the accumulated arrears.
3. To arrange, classify, and index the Records of the State Paper Department for their gradual removal to the Public Record Building, subject to the reservation of the Act requiring that such Records and Papers so to be transferred shall be of an age of fifty years from the making thereof.

To enable me to place clearly before your Honor my proceedings during the past year, and the progress made, I will classify my remarks under three divisions.

I.—TRANSFER OF DOCUMENTS.

1. The whole BERMINGHAM TOWER RECORDS, comprising more than 600 Plea Rolls, 190 Pipe Rolls, 232 Summonisters' Rolls, seventy large bundles of Sheriffs' Tot Rolls, and thirteen bundles of Miscellaneous Rolls, together with twenty-one MS. volumes of Exchequer Orders, and four volumes of Repertories to the Plea and other Rolls, have been arranged, papered, endorsed, labelled, numbered, adjusted to the spaces in the Record Treasury, and removed to the Public Record Office. To effect this transfer safely and correctly, a carefully compiled Transfer Book of sixty-eight pages (to remain as a record in this department) has been made.

2. CENSUS PAPERS.—The Census (1821) Population Returns, comprising 479 volumes, have been tied up in bundles, labelled, adjusted to the spaces in the Record Treasury, and removed to the Public Record Office. A Transfer Book has also been made for this collection.

The transfer to the Public Record Office of these Records in 1869, and of the Record Commission collection in 1868, leaves only the contents of the Parliamentary Record Office to be removed, to complete the first requirement of the Public Record (Ireland) Act; and this collection is in such a prepared state that it can at any moment be labelled and rendered fit for transfer to the Public Record Office.

II.—THE RECEPTION OF STATE PAPERS.

1. All the PAPERS of the CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE from 1841 to 1852, both years inclusive, forming a very extensive collection, have been transferred to this department, and have been carefully arranged and sorted, and Press Catalogues made.

2. An accumulation of CONVICT PAPERS, from 1815 to 1847, has also been received, arranged chronologically, and Press Catalogued.

3. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS of various years, from 1841 to 1852, transmitted at the same time, have been temporarily sorted in years, and placed in presses in like manner.

Besides the foregoing Papers, various (sixty-eight volumes) "Books of Entries" of Country Letters, Government Correspondence, Ecclesiastical Affairs, Civil Petitions, and Civil Affairs, together with a few other Books, have been transmitted to this department.

III.—ARRANGEMENT, CLASSIFICATION, INDEXING, &c., OF STATE PAPER DEPARTMENT.

1. The Calendar to the BRITISH DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE, being the Correspondence of the Departments in England with the Lord Lieutenant's and Chief Secretary's Departments in Ireland, commencing in 1683, to which I referred in my former Report as having been begun, has been continued to the year 1721, and a great portion of it—1683 to 1711—has been fair—transcribed.

2. Collection of CERTIFICATES RESPECTING OFFICERS' WIDOWS, being Affidavits of Officers' Widows, made before Justices of the Peace, for the purpose of their obtaining payment of their pensions, containing 2,265 Documents, has been arranged, numbered, and placed in cartons, and a comprehensive Index made to it.

This collection gives not only the Widows' Affidavits, but also the Certificates of Ministers and Churchwardens as to identity and existence. Each Affidavit states the fact of marriage, the name of the deceased husband, his rank in the Army, and the Regiment in which he served. These Widows' Certificates, which commence in 1752, and end in 1763, supply a link in the chain of evidence of marriages and deaths, and may be found of importance in legal investigations.

3. BRITISH ORDERS IN COUNCIL, being Orders of the Council in London respecting affairs of Ireland, commencing in 1711, and ending in 1806, have been arranged, numbered, placed in cartons, and INDEXED.

GENERAL ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL IN IRELAND, being Orders of the Lord Lieutenant and Council, commencing 1793, and ending 1798, have been arranged, numbered, and INDEXED.

4. PROCLAMATIONS BY THE LORD LIEUTENANT AND COUNCIL, commencing in 1711, and ending 1811, have been arranged, numbered, placed in cartons, and calendared. This collection consists of engrossments of Proclamations on parchment, as well as of printed copies in broken sets. Of these printed copies I have selected one set, placed it in cartons, and made a comprehensive Index to it.

5. A complete Calendar with Index, has been made to the earliest "Book of Entries" in the Council Office, commencing in February, 1581, and ending in January, 1586, being entitled "A Giornal for entrie of daylie and ordinary actes of the Council and matters of State." A memorandum describes this book as having been the gift of Sir Henry Wallop, Treasurer at War for Ireland. This volume was so dilapidated from the effects of time, that throughout a considerable portion of the pages the paper was reduced to a state that it crumbled

to the touch. By an ingenious process of placing the damaged portion of the pages between tracing paper and transparent muslin, the injured part has been rendered perfectly secure from all future decay, and the book rendered available for public use.

The oldest "Books of Entries" in the Council Office, with the exception of the ancient Journal Book just referred to, are a collection of COUNCIL BOOKS, principally of the time of the Commonwealth, though there are a few volumes of the reigns of Charles I., Charles II., James II., and William and Mary.

THE COMMONWEALTH COLLECTION consists of fifty-five volumes, begun in 1649, and continued in a consecutive series to the period of the Restoration. These Books were, many of them, falling to pieces from the decay in the bindings, the result of the lapse of time, and they had their leaves loose and liable to be lost. The pages of the books, however, have been kept in perfect preservation, owing to the security from damp or damage afforded by the thickness of the walls of the Record Tower. The whole series has been bound anew, under my directions, in the Record Tower. A running number has been affixed to the Commonwealth series, while the miscellaneous volumes have been marked by letters of the alphabet. I have annexed to this Report lists of these volumes, with the running numbers and titles, the latter being for the most part the original descriptions on the old bindings, which old bindings I have put carefully aside for preservation in case of any reference to them being required.

6. MILITARY MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS, 1684 to 1770.

ARMY STATES, 1723 to 1761

BARRACK CORRESPONDENCE, 1703 to 1793.

MILITARY CONTRACTS, 1710 to 1760.

MILITARY NOTIFICATIONS, MISCELLANEOUS, 1702-1767, have all been deposited in tin cases, marked "State Papers, Military."

7. OFFICERS' WIDOWS' ACCOUNTS (one bundle not mentioned in the Official Printed Index) have been arranged and placed in a carton.

8. MILITARY COMMISSIONS, 1715-1763, have been arranged and placed in a carton.

9. GENERAL AND OTHER OFFICERS' CORRESPONDENCE, 1686-1776, has been arranged and placed in cartons.

MILITARY LISTS AND RETURNS, MISCELLANEOUS, 1685 to 1781, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

10. ORDNANCE CORRESPONDENCE, 1701 to 1803, has been placed in a carton.

11. ROLLS OF MUSTERS, 1741 to 1780 (arranged in years), have been papered and tied up in bundles.

12. ACCOUNTS OF THE CONCORDATUM FUND, 1701-1790, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

13. AFFIDAVITS, EXAMINATIONS, INFORMATIONS, PRESENTMENTS, &c., for the counties in Ireland, 1695 to 1813, classified according to counties and years, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

14. AGREEMENTS, BONDS, LEASES, &c., classified by years, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

15. BALLAST OFFICE, BELFAST; ELECTIONS, REGULATIONS, and other papers connected therewith, 1785-1812; Dublin do., 1783-1809, have been sorted and placed in cartons.

16. CERTIFICATES, MISCELLANEOUS, 1686-1796, arranged and placed in cartons.

17. CHURCH VALUATIONS have been classified, arranged chronologically according to Dioceses and Parishes, and have been arranged in cartons.

18. COINAGE; ARRANGEMENTS, 1711-1805, have been placed in a carton.

19. ORDERS FOR ENGROSSING ACTS, 1715-1800, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

20. ORDERS FOR DRAFTING PROCLAMATIONS, 1711-1803, have been placed in cartons.

21. ORDERS FOR ENGROSSING PROCLAMATIONS, 1725-1811, have been placed in cartons.

22. ORDERS FOR ISSUING MONEY, 1731-1794, have been placed in cartons.

23. ORDERS RESPECTING WINE DUTIES, 1726-1785, have been placed in cartons.

24. ORDERS RESPECTING EMBARGOES, 1740-1801, have been placed in cartons.

25. ORDERS RESPECTING QUARANTINE, 1711-1801, have been placed in cartons.

26. ORDERS TO IRISH COUNCIL, with annexed Reports of Committees of Council and references thereupon, 1711-1796, have been placed in cartons.

27. ORDERS MISCELLANEOUS, 1708-1812, have been placed in cartons.

28. MINUTES, MEMORANDA, &c., 1713-1809, have been placed in cartons.

29. OATHS OF ALLEGIANCE, ABJURATION, AND DECLARATION, 1714-1813, have been classified, arranged in years, and placed in a carton.

30. The LISTS OF FEES chargeable by Admiralty officers, Arms officers, Chancery officers, Common Pleas officers, Crown and Peace clerks of Provinces and Counties, Ecclesiastical officers, Exchequer officers, King's Bench officers; by Manor Courts and Municipal officers; Revenue, Treasury, and various other officers, have been classified, arranged, and placed in cartons.

In addition to the foregoing, a vast number of KING'S AND QUEEN'S LETTERS, commencing 1649, are in process of classification. When they are arranged and placed in cartons, I have ordered a calendar to be made.

MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS, 1836-1838, not included in the official Indexes have been partly arranged.

In conclusion, I deem it my duty to express my full approval of the ability, zeal, and diligence of my chief assistant, Mr. George Barry, as well as of the intelligence, assiduity, and systematic habits of my other clerk, Mr. J. J. Maginn.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your very obedient servant,

(Signed,) J. BERNARD BURKE, Ulster,
Keeper of the State Papers in the Record Tower.

Record Tower, Dublin Castle,
1st February, 1870.

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49.	Domestic Correspondence, 1651-1652,	A/89
50.	Domestic Correspondence, 1652-1654,	A/90
51.	Ministers of the Gospel—Appointments, Removals, Salaries, &c., 1658-1659,	A/91
52.	Original Minute Book of Colonel Herbert, Clerk of the Council, 1654-1655,	A/100
53.	Roman Catholic Inhabitants, county Cork—Names and Residences, 1654-1655,	A/103
54.	Rent Roll of Lands, Houses, Tithes, &c., belonging to His Highness and the Commonwealth, 1657-1658, } C/1 to	C/12
55.	Persons Subscribing the Engagement, county Roscommon and town of Athlone, 1652-1653,	C/13

LIST OF COUNCIL BOOKS OF ENTRIES (MISCELLANEOUS).

A.	Charles I.	Kilkenny Confederates—Orders on Process, 1644 to 1649,	A/ 54
B.	Do.	Kilkenny Confederates—Arrears of Assess- ments, 1645-1647,	A/ 99
C.	Do.	Kilkenny Confederates—Arrears of Assess- ments, 1645-1649,	A/ 98
D.	Do.	Kilkenny Confederates—Assessments and Assignments, 1647-1648,	A/ 36
E.	Do.	Kilkenny Confederates—Assessments and Assignments, 1648-1649,	A/ 55
F.	Charles II.	Excise Accounts—1st May, 1658, to 24th June, 1660; and 24th June, 1660, to 24th June, 1662,	A/ 18
G.	Do.	Affidavits of Service of Orders of Council, 1661-1663,	A/ 94
H.	Do.	Affidavits of Service of Orders of Council, 1663-1669,	A/ 95
I.	{ Charles II. James II. }	Affidavits of Service of Orders of Council, 1682-1683,	A/107
J.	Charles II.	Domestic Letters—Lord Lieutenant and Coun- cil, 1667-1678,	A/104
K.	Do.	Passes for Ships, 1677,	A/ 75
L.	{ Charles II. James II. Wm. & Mary. }	Domestic Letters—Lord Lieutenant and Council, 1678-1689,	A/105
M.	{ Charles II. James II. }	Addresses to the King, 1682-1685,	A/106
N.	Wm. & Mary.	Wool Licenses, 1699,	A 40

APPENDIX No. 6.

EXTRACT from REPORT of JAMES MILLS, esq., on the REMOVAL of RECORDS from the EXAMINERS' OFFICES of the COURT of CHANCERY.

The repositories of this collection, consisting of six rooms on the first landing at the extremity of the eastern wing of the Four Courts building, were inspected on Monday, the 2nd of August, 1869. The work of cleaning the documents in these rooms being at once proceeded with. I was enabled on the Saturday following to commence preparations for transfer; and the entry and removal being simultaneously carried on, so as to leave room for the arrangement of the disordered portions of the collection, the transfer was completed by the 23rd of September following.

The records in the three northern rooms belonged to the Chief Examiner; those in the southern to the late Second Examiner's Office. I proceed first to treat of the Chief Examiner's Records.

The office of Examiner of the Court of Chancery was created not later than 1540, and was in the gift of the Master of the Rolls. His duty is to receive Interrogatories for the examination and cross-examination of witnesses in any cause in the Court of Chancery, to examine and cross-examine witnesses, to prepare in writing the depositions to which the witnesses sign their names, and to preserve the same as well as the examinations of witnesses at a distance taken by Commission. By patent 3rd Car. I., p. 4, "another examiner" was appointed to examine in "such matters as concerneth the Plaintiffs." By subsequent letters patent 4 Car. I., p. 2, the duties of the two officers were assimilated, suitors being permitted to file Interrogatories with either, as in England. With regard however to Depositions taken by Commission, the original practice appears to have prevailed till 1755, those taken for plaintiffs being returned to the Second, and those for defendants to the Chief Examiner. It seems also that the same Examiner could not act for both parties, Plaintiff and Defendant, in the same cause, Irish Record Commissioners' Reports, Vol. I., p. 102. It should be observed that several of the gentlemen who filled the office of Second Examiner during the present century were accustomed to style themselves Chief Examiners.

The Records of the Chief Examiner have received the general name of Depositions. They consist of—

- I. Interrogatories filed in the office.
- II. The Dominicals or drafts (usually on paper) of the Depositions of the witnesses taken either by the Examiner or by Commission.
- III. The fair copies (on parchment) of the Depositions. These copies in many cases have not been made.
- IV. Answers to personal Interrogatories.
- V. The Commissions (when the Depositions were taken by Commission), with Commissioners' and Clerks' Oaths attached.

These Records are made up in the form of rolls, and each set of Inter-

rogatories with its Depositions attached forming a roll, indorsed with date and name of cause.

The earliest fragment bears date 1573, but from that year to 1660 only a very small proportion of the Records are preserved.

From 1661 to 1699 the Rolls are in good preservation but in very many cases without endorsement. They were tied in bundles, each bundle containing usually Records of the same year or period. These bundles however being heaped promiscuously in three presses in as many different rooms, the Records of this period were unavailable without a laborious search. These Records I have collected and re-arranged according to their years. The year 1689 only, during which very few Interrogatories were filed, is wholly wanting.

From 1700 to 1760 the Rolls were tied in term bundles in the arrangement of which frequent inaccuracies were discovered, probably to be accounted for by the fact that these Records had, at different times, been removed from one repository to another in open bundles by common labourers. These Records I have partly re-arranged to rectify the inaccuracies.

From 1760 to 1850 the Records were in good order in term bundles; those only for Michaelmas 1794, and Hilary, Trinity, and Michaelmas 1836 being wanting.

All the above, being cleaned and tied in bundles covered with brown paper, each labelled with a description of its contents and its position in the Record Treasury, were transferred and placed on shelves in Bay 5 L. A complete reference to the bundles is supplied by the "Transfer Book" lodged in the Search Room.

For reference to the Records the following Lists and Indexes have been removed to the Search Room.

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| Vol. I. | 1548 to 1656 | } These volumes have no alphabetical indexes, and appear to be lists merely made at a subsequent period. |
| „ II. | 1656 to 1770 | |
| „ III. | 1671 to 1678 | |
| | 1679 to 1686, | bound at the end of Vol. I.; this is of the same character as the above, but has an alphabetical Index. |
| „ IV. | 1685 to 1723. The first eleven pages of this volume being very much mutilated had been recopied at some period. Both copy and original are bound in this volume. This and the following volumes are office books containing entries on the filing of Interrogatories and the return of Depositions taken by Commission. They have alphabetical Indexes to the plaintiffs' names. | |

Vol. V. 1723 to 1749; Vol. VI. 1749 to 1774; Vol. VII. 1774 to 1794; Vol. VIII. 1795 to 1811; Vol. IX. 1812 to 1827.

As Vol. X., 1827 to the present time, being in current use, has been retained in the Examiner's office, we have no reference to the Records of that period. There is a fair copy of the first four volumes, but without Index.

Besides the foregoing Records the following documents have been removed:—

- I. Depositions sealed, one bundle.
- II. Copies Orders for Publication, 1794-1850.
- III. Dockets for Examination.

IV. Office Books :

Book of Entries of Interrogatories, &c., 1631-47, much injured.

Duplicate Index to Vol. IV. Entry Book.

Receipt Book for Exhibits 1741-1752.

1758-1795.

Fee and Scrivenery Account Books.

V. Deeds, &c., Exhibited, 9 bundles.

VI. "A Book of Recognizances taken in the Chancery of Ireland before Thomas Archbishop of Dublin, and Lord Chancellor of Ireland," from 1 January, 16 $\frac{1}{15}$ to 6 March 16 $\frac{1}{15}$. There is no index to this volume, which was found in a drawer of rubbish, but the name of each person entering into a recognizance is written at the foot of the page to catch the eye in turning over. It contains also some petitions, and letters of the Lord Deputy and Council in reference to the recognizances.

VII. A small file of various Exchequer writs circa 1800.

The office of Second Examiner in Chancery was created in 1627 as mentioned above. It existed until 1856, when the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Webb was not filled up.

The Records of the Second Examiner are precisely similar to those of his colleague. The earliest bears date 1661. From that year to 1760 they were in a state of great confusion, and apparently very imperfect. I have collected and arranged them, and find that the years 1689, 1740, 1750, and 1757 are wholly wanting, and that many of the others are more or less imperfect.

From 1760 to 1789, they were tied in termly bundles, and were much disordered; 39 of these bundles are found to be wanting.

From 1790 to 1856, the termly bundles were in fair condition; 31, however, are wanting—the years 1798, 1799, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1822, and 1833 being especially deficient.

It is to be observed that, this office being an extinct one, all the records, as well under as over twenty years, have been transferred. They are placed, in the same manner as the Chief Examiner's, in Bay 5 L.

The following books of reference to the Second Examiner's Records have been transferred from the Chief Examiner's office:—1661 to 1676, without alphabetical index.

It has a continuation in the form of a fee account from Hil. 1679 to 1682, in which reference is made to a second book of Entries, which I have been unable to find.

1757 to 1783	} These are books of entries similar to those of the Chief Examiner's office. They have alphabetical indexes to the plaintiffs' names. It will be seen that there is no means of reference to the Second Examiner's Records between 1682 and 1757, and no regular means between 1676 and 1682.
1783 „ 1802	
1803 „ 1826	
1826 „ 1844	
1845 „ 1860	

Besides the above, the following documents have been removed from this office:—

I. Depositions, sealed, one bundle.

II. Copies of Orders for Publication, 1807-1850.

III. Dockets for Examination, to 1848.

IV. Office Books:—

Receipt Book for Exhibits, 1831-1861.

Fee and Scrivenery Account Book.

V. Deeds, &c., Exhibited to Witnesses, and left in office, seven bundles.

VI. A few Answers, sworn but not filed.

The Depositions removed from the Chancery Registrar's office (Deputy Keeper's 1st Report, p. 58, Ap. No. 21), properly belong to this collection. Their existence in that office has been accounted for thus: "Formerly the Depositions by Commission were received, entered, and filed in this department" (Examiner's office) "immediately and without delay, on being returned into the Court of Chancery; latterly they lie in the office of the Registrar of the Court until publication."—*Irish Record Com. Reports*, vol. I., p. 103-1812.

These have already, as stated in the Deputy Keeper's Report above mentioned, been carefully indexed.

The following Equity Exchequer Records, in the custody of the Chancery Examiners since the abolition of the Equity side of the Exchequer, have been removed and placed, by your directions, with the other records of that Court, and will be reported on with them at a future date:—

Depositions, 1809-1850, with a few of earlier date.

Copies Orders for Publication, 1825-1850.

Notices of motion, 1819-1832.

Certificates of various Officers, 1812-1833.

APPENDIX No. 7.

EXTRACT from the REPORT of the ASSISTANT DEPUTY KEEPER on RECORDS of the LAW EXCHEQUER removed from BENCHERS' BUILDINGS VAULTS.

In accordance with your directions of the 28th January, 1869, I got the keys of the vaults described in the Warrant of the Master of the Rolls as "six certain vaults under that part of the new building at the reere of the Four Courts, called the Benchers' Building," from the late J. C. Lowry, esq., q.c., the Master of the Court of Exchequer; and proceeded to examine their condition and contents. I found them very dirty, dark, and damp; so much so, that in places where the sacks, in which most of the documents were contained, had touched the walls or floor, they had rotted away, but, with very few exceptions, the decay had not spread to the Records, which I found in very fair preservation.

The Records consisted of documents of various kinds, belonging to the Law Exchequer, tied in parcels of a year or term, and placed in sacks properly labelled; and with their contents set out in two Note Books, written by the late Mr. James Ferguson, of the Court of Exchequer, who had arranged and deposited most of these Records in this repository. I found about eighty sacks in Room 3, which had been placed there at a later period by other persons than the late Mr. J. Ferguson, on which there were no proper labels specifying their contents, nor was there any list thereof. These I had opened, and a list made of their contents. The series are so irregular, and the gaps so numerous that I subjoin hereto, alphabetically arranged, a schedule of the different parcels of documents with their dates.

The whole collection contained three hundred and fifty sacks, and after going carefully through them, one by one—a work which the darkness

of the vaults, the dirt, and the foul smell rendered very onerous—I commenced on the 22nd February to remove them to the Record Treasury, preserving the same order in which I found them, and placed them temporarily in Bays K, I, and H. I say temporarily, as it is proposed to move them hereafter, when the Records of the Law Exchequer shall be deposited with us, and when I expect that they will nearly completely fill up the gaps in the different series of that collection, and so form, with the Records to be brought from that Court, a uniform and complete series.

In the subjoined list, the letters refer to the Terms of the year.

I received no Index Books whatever relating to these documents.

In conclusion, I have to express to you how much I am indebted to the officers of the Court of Exchequer for their courtesy and explanations, and to Mr. Mills and Mr. Berry of this office, who gave me most able assistance.

SCHEDULE of the RECORDS of the LAW EXCHEQUER referred to in the foregoing Report.

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Affidavits, common,	H.	1744.
	H. E. T. M.	1746 to 1782.
	M.	1783.
	H. E. T. M.	1784.
	T.	1785.
	H. E. T. M.	1786 to 1790.
	H.	1791.
	H. E. T. M.	1792 to 1801.
	H. E. T. M.	1807 to 1809.
	E. T. M.	1810.
	H. E. T. M.	1811 to 1815.
	H. E.	1816.
	H.	1817.
	H. E. T. M.	1818 to 1820.
	H. E.	1821.
Affidavits of Contempt, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	H. E. T.	1760.
	M.	1764.
	M.	1766.
	E.	1767.
	H. E. T. M.	1768 to 1772.
	E. T. M.	1773.
	H. E. T. M.	1774 to 1777.
	H. E. T. M.	1779 to 1782.
	E. T. M.	1783.
	H. E. T. M.	1784.
	T.	1791.
	H. E. T. M.	1793.
	T. M.	1794.
	H. E.	1795.
		1796-1800.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER referred to in fore-
going Report—*continued*.

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Affidavits of Contempt, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings— <i>continued</i> .	H. E. T. M.	1796 to 1797.
	H. E.	1798.
	H. E.	1799.
	H. E. T.	1800.
	H. E. T. M.	1801 to 1804.
	H. E. T.	1805.
	E.	1806.
	H.	1837.
Affidavits of Debt,		M. 1800.
		M. 1803.
	E.	1804.
		1806.
	H. T.	² M. 1810.
	H. E.	1811.
		M. 1812.
	E.	1813.
	H.	1814.
Affidavits in Ejectment,	H.	1739.
	H.	1744.
	H.	1781.
	H. E. T. M.	1746 to 1782.
	E. T. M.	1783.
	H. E. T. M.	1784 to 1790.
	H. E. M.	1791.
	H. E. T. M.	1792, 1793.
	H. E. T.	1794.
	H. E. T. M.	1795 to 1801.
	H. E.	1802.
	E.	1769.
Affidavits of service of Insol- vent Debtors.		
Affidavits of service of Capias's,		M. 1800.
		M. 1803.
	² H. E. T. M.	1804.
	H. E. T. M.	1805.
	H. E. T.	1806.
	H. E.	M. 1807.
Affidavits of service of Rules for Judgment.		1803 to 1809.
		1807-1809?
	H. T.	H. 1810-T. 1811.
		1812.
		1812, 1813.
		1813, 1814.
		1816 to 1823.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Affidavits of service of Notices, Affidavits of service of Sub- pœnas.		1794-1801.
		1760-1761.
		1791-1798.
		M. 1805.
	H. T. M.	1806.
	H. E. T. M.	1807.
	E. M.	1808.
	H. E. T. M.	1809.
	H.	1782.
	M.	1807.
Appearances,	H.	1808.
Attachments,		1766.
Bail Pieces,		1815.
Bonds,		1800.
Broken Filings, sack No. 1, .		1738-1760.
		1761-1764.
		1765-1768.
		1768.
		1769-1771.
		1770. (2)
		1771. (2)
„ No. 2, .		1772. (2)
		1773. (2)
		1773-1775.
		1774. (3)
		1775. (3)
		1776.
		1777. (2)
		1778. (2)
„ No. 3, .		1779. (2)
		1780. (3)
		1780-1782.
		1781. (2)
		1782. (2)
		1783. (4)
„ No. 4, .		1784. (4)
		1785. (2)
		1786. (5)
		1787. (6)
„ No. 5, .		1788. (4)
		1789. (7)
„ No. 6, .		1790. (5)
		1791. (6)
		1792. (2)
„ No. 7, .		1792. (8)
„ No. 8, .		1793. (11)
„ No. 9, .		1793.
		1794. (7)
„ No. 10, .		1795. (6)

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Broken Filings, No. 11, .		1796. (6)
„ No. 12, .		1797. (9)
		1798.
„ No. 13, .		1799. (7)
„ No. 14, .		1799. (10)
„ No. 15, .		1799. (2)
		1800. (5)
„ No. 16, .		1800. (5)
		1801. (5)
„ No. 17, .		1801. (4)
		1802. (6)
„ No. 18, .		1802. (2)
		1803. (8)
„ No. 19, .		1803. (7)
„ No. 20, .		1804. (7)
„ No. 21, .		1804. (5)
		1805. (5)
„ No. 22, .		1805. (6)
		1806. (4)
„ No. 23, .		1806. (4)
		1807. (7)
„ No. 24, .		1808. (7)
		1809. (4)
„ No. 25, .		1810. (4)
		1811. (8)
„ No. 26, .		1812. (5)
		1813. (5)
„ No. 27, .		1814. (4)
		1815. (5)
„ No. 28, .		1816. (4)
		1816-1817.
		1817.
		1818. (4)
		1819. (3)
„ No. 29, .		1820. (3)
		1821. (2)
		1822. (2)
		1823.
		1824. (2)
		1825. (2)
		1826. (2)
„ No. 30, .		1827.
		1828. (4)
		1829.
		1830.
		1831.
		1832.
		1833.
		1834.
		1835-1836.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Broken Filings, No. 30— <i>continued.</i>		1837. 1838-1839. 1840-1841. 1842. 1842-1843. 1843.
Capias's, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings,		1775. 1776. 1777-1779. 1780. 1785. 1794-1796. 1798-1810. 1806-1811. 1815.
Certificates of Plaintiff's Debt, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.		1799, 1800. 1800, 1801. 1811. (2) 1816. 1817. 1817-1818. 1818-1819. 1820-1821. 1823-1824. 1825. 1826-1838. 1829-1833. 1840-1843.
Certificates of Taxed Costs, .		
Cognovits,	H. E. M.	1750.
	E. T. M.	1751, 1752.
	H. T. M.	1753.
	H. T. M.	1754.
	H. E. T. M.	1755 to 1762.
		1764.
	H. E. T. M.	1765 to 1768.
	H. E. T. M.	1770, 1771.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1772, 1773.
	H. ² E. T. ² M. ²	1774.
	H. E. T. M.	1775.
	E. ² T. ² M.	1776.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1777.
	H. ² E. T. ² M. ³	1778.
	H. ² E. T. ³ M. ²	1779.
	H. ² E. T. ² M.	1780.
	H. E. T. ²	1781.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1782.
	H. ² E. T. M. ²	1783.
	H. ² E. T. ² M. ²	1784.
	H. ² T. ² M.	1785.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1786.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Cognovits— <i>continued.</i>	H. ² E. T. ² M.	1787.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1788 to 1790.
	H. ² E. T. ² M. ²	1791.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1792.
	E. T. ³ M.	1793.
	H. ² E. T. M. ⁴	1794.
	H. ² E. T. M.	1795, 1796.
	H. ² E. T. ² M. ³	1797.
	H. ² E. T. ²	1798.
	H. ² E. T. ² M.	1799.
Declarations, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	H. E.	1740.
	T. M.	1741.
	T.	1743.
	H. T.	1744.
	H. E. M.	1745.
	E. M.	1746.
		1753.
		1754.
	E. T.	1756.
	H. M.	1758.
	H.	1762.
	H.	1763.
		1764.
		1766.
	E.	1771.
	T.	1772.
	H. E.	1773.
	H.	1774.
	E.	1776.
	E.	1777.
		1777.
	H.	1778.
	H. M.	1779.
	H. E.	1780.
	H. T.	1783.
	E. M.	1785.
	H.	1786.
		1787.
		1791.
	H. T. ² M.	1793.
		1794-1795.
	E.	1795.
	T. M.	1798.
	H.	1800.
	E. M.	1802.
		1802-1803.
		1802-1805.
	H. E. T. M.	1803.
	H.	1804.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Declarations— <i>continued.</i>		1804. (3)
	H. E. M.	1805.
	H. T.	1807.
	(H. & E.)	1808.
	E.	1808.
	H. E. M.	1809.
		1809-1810.
		1810.
	E. M.	1810.
	E. T. M.	1811.
		1811-1812.
	H. T. M.	1812.
		1812-1813.
	H. E. T. M.	1813.
		1814.
	H. M.	1815.
		1815. (2)
	H. E. T. M.	1816.
	(H. & E.) T.	1817.
		1817-1819. (3)
	(H. E. T.)	1818.
	E.	1818. (2)
	T. M.	1818-1819.
		1818-1819.
	E. M.	1819.
		1819.
	H. E. T.	1820.
		1820. (2)
		1820-1821.
	E. T.	1821.
		1821.
	H. E. T. M.	1822.
		1822-1825.
	H. E. T. M.	1823.
	H. M.	1824.
		1824.
	H. T. M.	1825.
		1825.
	(H. & E.)	1826.
	E. T. M.	1826.
	H. E. T. M.	1827.
	H. T.	1828.
	H. E. T. M.	1829.
		1829-1830.
	H. E. T.	1830.
	H. E. T. M.	1831.
	H. T.	1832.
		1832.
	H. E. T. M.	1833, 1834.
		1834-1836.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Declarations— <i>continued.</i>	E. T. M.	1835.
		1835-1836.
	H. E. T.	1836.
		1836.
	E. M.	1837.
Declarations in Ejectment, Ejectments, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings,		1837.
		M.
	H.	1806.
	H.	1744.
		1757.
	E.	M.
		1762.
		1764.
		M.
		1770.
		M.
		1782.
		1782.
		M.
		1783.
	H. E.	M.
	H. E. T.	M.
	H. E.	1785.
		1786.
		1786-1787.
	H. (T. & M.)	1787.
	H. E.	1788.
		1788.
	H. (E. & T.)	1789.
	H.	1790. (2)
	(E. T. & M.)	1790.
	E. M.	1791.
		1793.
		M.
		1793.
		1794.
		1795.
		1795-1796.
	(E. & T.)	1796.
	E. T.	1797.
		1798.
	H. E.	1799.
	H. E. ² T. M.	1801.
	H. T.	1802.
	(T. & M.)	1803-1804.
	H. ² E.	M.
	H. E. T.	M.
	H.	M.
		1807.
		1808-1810.
	H.	1810.
		1811-1815.
		M.
		1815.
	E. T.	1817.
		1817-1818.
	H. E.	1818.
		1818-1819.

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Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Ejectments— <i>continued.</i>	(H. & E.)	1819.
		1819.
	T.	1820.
		1820.
	H. M.	1821.
	(H. E. T.)	1822.
	H.	1823.
		1824.
		1824-1825.
		1825-1826.
	H. E. T. M.	1827.
		1828.
	E.	1828.
		1829. (2)
	H. E. M.	1829.
	H. ² T.	1830.
	H. E. T. M. ²	1831.
	H. E. T.	1832.
	H. E. M.	1833.
	H. E.	1834.
		1834.
	E. T. M.	1835.
		1835.
	H. E. T.	1836.
		1836.
	H. T. M.	1837.
	H. E. ² M.	1838.
	H. E. T. M.	1839-1841.
	H.	1842.
Ejectments and Contempts,	E.	1737.
Habeas Corpus, <i>vide</i> Injured		1770.
Filings.		1784-1787.
		1796-1800.
		1812-1816.
		1796.
Injured Filings, viz.		1813.
Affidavits of Contempt.	H.	1813.
Capias's,		1804. (2)
Certificates of Amount of Plain-		
tiff's Demand.		
Declarations,	H.	1786.
		1789-1791.
	T.	1792.
	H. T. ²	1796.
		1797-1798.
		1800.
	H. M. ²	1801.
		1806.
	E. M.	1807.
		1808.
		1814.

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Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Injured Filings, viz.— <i>continued.</i>	T.	1824.
Declarations,	M.	1830.
Ejectments,	M.	1763.
	H.	1772.
	E.	1773.
	T.	1780.
	E.	1811.
	F.	1817.
	T.	1819.
	H.	1821.
Habeas Corpus,	T.	1790.
Judgments on Confession,		1771-1774.
	E.	1799.
	T.	1804.
	M.	1805.
	T.	1809.
	T.	1819.
Judgments by Default and on (H. & E.) Confession.		1775.
	M.	1805.
	M.	1809.
	E.	1810.
Judgments in Ejectment,	H.	1792.
	H.	1797.
	T. ²	1806.
	H.	1807.
	M. ²	1811.
Judgments on Inquisition,	T.	1792.
	M.	1793.
	T.	1798.
	M.	1803.
	H.	1804.
	E.	1814.
	H.	1815.
	H.	1817.
Judgments on Postea,	M.	1791.
Judgments on Postea and Inquisitions.	M.	1753-1754.
Judgments on Sci. Fa.	M.	1807.
	T.	1819.
Levaris,		1793-1796.
		1812, 1814.
Nil Dicits,	E.	1786.
	E.	1794.
	H. ²	1805.
	T.	1808.
	E.	1811.
	M.	1812.
	H.	1815.
	M.	1816.
	M.	1818.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Injured Filings, viz.— <i>continued.</i>		
Nil Sci. Fa. . . .	M.	1773.
Non Ests. . . .	H.	1785.
		1791.
	H.	1804.
		1804–1805.
	H.	1807.
Pleadings,	H.	1768.
	E.	1782.
	H.	1783.
	E.	1784.
		1790–1792.
	H. E.	1791.
	H.	1795.
	M.	1800.
	H.	1827.
Pleadings on which Records have issued.		1814–1816 to 1818.
Pleas in Ejectment, . . .		1776–1785.
Posteas,	M.	1818.
Sci. Fa.		1789.
Venires,	H.	1822.
		1840.
		1848. (2)
Warrants of Attorney, . . .		1805.
	M.	1812.
Inquisitions (with Sci. Fa.), .		1742, 1746.
”		1762–1766.
		1763–1778.
	H. ²	1770.
		1774.
		1777; 1777–1778.
	H.	1780.
	H.	1784.
		1785–1788.
	H. E. T. M.	1790.
		1792 to 1805.
		1810; 1812 to 1813.
		1815.
		1819. (2)
		1820.
Judgments on Confession, <i>vide</i>	H.	1769; 1772.
Injured Filings.		1773–1779.
	M.	1776.
	E.	1781.
	M.	1782.
	H.	1785.
	H. E.	1786.
	H.	1787.
	(H. and E.)	1789.
	T. M.	1790.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Judgments on Confession— <i>continued.</i>	H. ² E. T. M.	1791.
		M. 1792; 1793.
		T. M. 1794.
	E. T. M. ²	1795.
	E. (T. & M.)	1796.
	H. E. T.	1797.
	H. ² E. T.	1798.
	H. ²	M. 1799.
	H. E. T.	1800.
	H. E. ²	1801.
	H. E. T. M.	1802.
		1802.
	H. ³	T. M. 1803.
	E.	T. 1804.
	H.	T. 1805.
	E. T. M.	1806.
	H.	M. 1807.
	H. E. T. M.	1808.
	H.	M. 1810.
	H. E.	1811.
		T. M. 1813.
	E.	T. 1814.
	H. ³ E.	M. ² 1815.
	H. ²	1816.
	E. T. M.	1817-1818.
	H. E.	M. 1819.
	H.	T. M. 1821.
	E. ²	1822.
	H. E.	1823.
		M. 1829.
		T. 1764.
	E. T.	1787.
	H. E. T. M.	1788.
		M. 1789.
	H. E.	1790.
	E.	1792.
		M. 1757.
		T. 1762; 1765.
		1765-1766.
		1771.
		1773-1775.
	H.	1779.
		M. 1784.
		T. 1786.
		T. 1792; 1798.
		M. 1804.
	E.	1805.
		1806, 1807.
	(E. & T.)	1808.
	T.	1810 to 1812.
Judgments on Confession and in Ejectment.		
Judgments by Default and on Confession, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.		
(And in Ejectment),		

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Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Judgments by Default and on Confession— <i>continued.</i> Judgments in Ejectment, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	H. E.	1815.
	T.	1820.
	H.	1756 ; 1780.
	H.	1785.
	T.	1790.
	T. M.	1791.
	H. E.	1792.
	H. E. M.	1793.
	H. E. T. M.	1794.
	H. E. M.	1795.
	H. E. T. M.	1796.
	E. T.	1797.
	T. M. ²	1798.
	H. E. T. M.	1799, 1800.
	H. T. M.	1801.
	H. T.	1802.
	H. E. M.	1803.
	H. T. M.	1804.
	(H. & E.)	1804.
	H. T. M.	1805.
	H. E. M.	1806.
	E. T. M.	1807.
	H. T. M.	1808.
	E. T.	1808.
	H. E. T. M.	1809, 1810.
	H. T.	1811.
		1811.
	H. E. T. M.	1812.
	H. E. M.	1813.
	H. E. T. M.	1814.
	H. E. T.	1815.
	H. ² T. M.	1816.
	E. T. ²	1817.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1818.
	E. T.	1819.
	H. E. ² T. M.	1820.
	H. E. T.	1821.
	H. E.	1822.
	H.	1823, 1824.
	H. E.	1825.
	E.	1827.
	H. E.	1829.
	H. E. M.	1830.
	H. E. T. M.	1831.
Judgments on Inquisition, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	E.	1771.
	H. E.	1776.
	H.	1782.
	E. M.	1785.
	E.	1789.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Judgments on Inquisition— <i>continued.</i>	T.	1790.
	T. M.	1791.
	H. E. T. M.	1792.
	H. T. ² M.	1793.
	E. T. M.	1794.
	H. E. T. M.	1795.
	H. T.	1796.
	H. T. M.	1797.
	H. ² M. ²	1798.
	H. ² E. T. M.	1799.
	H. T. M.	1800.
	(E. & T.)	1800.
	H. E. T. M.	1801.
	H. E. ² T. M.	1802.
	E. ² T.	1803.
	H. E. ² T. ² M.	1804.
	H. ² E. T. M.	1805.
	H. E. M.	1806.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1807.
	H. E. T. M.	1808 to 1810.
	E. T. M.	1811.
	E. M.	1812.
	H. E. T.	1813.
	H. T. M.	1814, 1815.
	E. M.	1816.
	E. (T. & M.)	1817.
	M.	1818.
		1818.
	H. E. M.	1819.
		1820.
		1822.
Judgments on Nil Dicits, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.		1745-1746.
	T.	1760.
	H.	1761.
	T. M.	1762.
	(H. & E.)	1763.
	E. T. M.	1763.
	H. E. M.	1764.
		1766.
	E. M.	1766.
	T.	1767; 1767.
		1768.
		1768-1770.
		1769.
		1770-1781.
	(H. & E.) M.	1770.
	T.	1771.
		1772.
		1772-1775.
	T.	1773.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Judgments on Nil Dicits— <i>continued.</i>	E.	1774.
		1776.
	E. ²	1777.
		1778.
	H.	1780.
		1780-1781.
		1781.
		1782-1786.
		1782; 1782.
	E. T.	1783.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1783.
	[E. T.]	1783-1784.
		1784; 1784.
	H. E. T. M.	1785.
	H. E. T. ²	1786.
		1787.
		1788 to 1789.
	H. E. T. M.	1790.
	H. ² E.	1791; 1791.
		1792.
	E. M. ²	1793.
	E. T. M. ²	1794; ² 1794. ²
	H. E. T. M. ²	1795; 1795-1797.
	H. ² E. T. M.	1796.
	H. E. M.	1797; 1797.
		1798; 1798-1799.
	E. ³ T. M.	1799; 1799. ²
		1799-1800.
	H. E. M.	1800.
	H. E. T. ³	1801; 1801.
	H. E. ² T. M.	1802; 1802.
	H. E. ³ T. ² M. ²	1803.
	[E. M.]	1803; 1803-1804.
	H. ² E. ⁵ T. ² M. ²	1804.
	H. E. ³ T. M.	1805.
	H. ² E. ² T. ² M. ²	1806.
		1807-1808.
	E. ² M.	1808.
	H. E. T. M.	1809; 1809.
	H. E. T. M.	1810.
	H. E. M.	1811.
		1812.
	H. E. T. M.	1813.
	H. E. ² T.	1814.
		1815.
	H. E. T.	1816.
	H. E. T. M.	1817.
	H. T. M.	1818.
		1819; 1819.
		1822.

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Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Judgments on Nil Dicits— <i>continued.</i>		1823. 1828. 1831. 1833.
Judgments on Postea, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	M.	1743.
	M.	1772-1773.
	H.	1775. 1782.
	M.	1787, 1789.
	T.	1790 to 1793.
	E.	1791 to 1793.
	M.	1792, 1793.
	H. E. T. M. ²	1794.
	H. E. T. M.	1795 to 1797.
	H. E. M. ²	1798.
	H. E. T. M.	1799.
	H.	1800.
	H. E. T.	1801; 1801.
	M.	1802; 1802.
	H. T. M.	1803.
	H.	1804.
	M.	1805 to 1808.
	M.	1806.
	E.	1810.
	H.	1815; 1815.
	E.	1818 to 1820.
	M.	1821.
	M.	1822.
		1825.
		1829.
		1831 to 1833.
		1835.
Judgments on Postea and In- quisition, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	H.	1763.
	H.	1769.
	T.	1770; 1770-1775.
	H.	1774.
		1775.
	H.	1777.
	E.	1778.
		1779.
	E. T.	1782.
	H. E. T. M.	1783.
		1784.
	H. E.	1785.
	H. T. M.	1786.
	H. E. T. M.	1787.
		1788.
	H. T.	1789.
	H. E. M.	1790.
	H.	1791.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Judgments on Postestas and Inquisitions— <i>continued.</i> Judgments on Scire Facias, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.		M. 1792.
	E.	1794.
	H.	1743.
		M. 1769.
	E.	1771; 1773 & 1780.
		[1772, 1774, 1775.
	T.	1767.
	H.	M. 1770.]
		T. ² 1772.
	H.	1773.
	H. ²	1774.
	H.	T. M. 1775.
	[H. E.] [T. M.]	1776.
		1777; 1777-1780.
		1778-1782.
	E. T.	1779.
		T. 1780.
	E.	1782; 1782.
	H. E.	1783.
	[H. E.]	1783; 1783-1785.
		T. M. 1784.
	E.	1785.
	H. E.	1786.
	[E. T.]	1786.
	E. T.	M. 1787.
	H.	T. M. 1788.
	E. ²	T. M. 1789.
	H. E.	T. M. 1790, 1791.
	E.	T. M. 1792; 1792-1795.
	H.	1793.
	E.	M. 1794.
	H.	M. 1795.
	H. E.	T. M. 1796.
	H.	T. M. 1797.
	E.	T. M. 1798.
	H. E.	T. M. 1799.
	E.	T. M. 1800, 1801.
	H.	T. M. 1802.
	H. E.	T. M. 1803.
	E.	1804; 1804.
		1804; 1805.
	E.	T. M. 1805.
		T. 1806.
	E.	T. 1807.
		M. 1808; 1808.
	E.	T. 1809.
	H. E.	M. 1810.
	H. E.	T. M. 1811.
		T. M. 1812.
	H.	1813.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Judgments on Scire Facias— <i>continued.</i>	E. M.	1815, 1816. 1818; 1818. 1819.
	E.	1820; 1820.
Levaris, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings, .	H.	1821. 1786. 1812. 1816-1818.
	H.	1817. 1818. 1818-1820.
„ (with other Writs), .		
„ (with Non Ests), .		
Miscellaneous :		
A file of Judgments and Pleadings of various kinds.		1770-1782.
A file of Pleadings, Ejectments, Writs, and Judgments.		1790-1802.
A file of Declarations and Pleas.		1809-1814.
Mr. John Carey's Papers.		
Mr. Farran's Letters and Papers.		
Mr. Farran's Judgments, marked but not entered up.		1800-1801.
Mr. Richard Patten's Papers.		1815.
Nil Scire Facias, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	H.	1753, 1768. 1770-1780. 1775-1778. 1789. 1790-1791. 1790-1798. 1802-1816. 1822. 1753. 1761-1762; 1762. 1771, 1772. 1777, 1779, 1780. 1779. 1783 to 1785. 1785. 1787, 1788. 1788, 1789. ² 1790. 1792 and 1794. 1794. 1797. ² 1798. 1798. 1799. 1800.
Non Ests, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.	H.	
	H.	
	H.	
	H. E. M.	
	[H. E.]	
	H. [E. T.] M.	

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Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Non Ests— <i>continued.</i>	[H. E.] T.	1801. ²
	[H. E.] [T. M.]	1802.
	H. [E.] M.]	1803.
	[H. E.] T. ²	1804.
	E. M.	1805.
	M.	1806.
	[T. M.]	1806.
	E. M.	1807.
	[[H. E.] T.]	1808.
	[E. T.] M.	1809.
	[E. T.]	1810.
	[T. M.]	1810.
		1810–1815.
	H. T. M.	1811.
	[H. E.]	1811, 1812.
	T.	1812.
	[E. T.]	1813; 1813.
	(E. T.)	1814.
	(T. M.)	1814.
	E. T. M.	1815.
	H. M.	1816.
	H. ²	1817.
	M.	1818.
	H.	1819.
	M.	1820.
Pleadings, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.		1741.
	H.	1742, 1743. ²
	T.	1747.
	E. T.	1751.
		1752.
	H. T.	1755.
	T.	1757 & 1759.
	T.	1762; 1763.
	E. M.	1765.
		1766.
	H. T.	1767; 1767.
	T.	1769; 1769–1770.
	M.	1770, 1771.
	H.	1774, 1776.
	T. M.	1779.
	H.	1780, 1781.
		1780–1790. ³
		1781–1783.
		1782.
	H.	1783.
	H. E.	1784.
	H.	1785; 1785.
	H. E. T. ² M.	1786.
		1787; 1787–1789.
		1787–1799.

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Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Pleadings— <i>continued.</i>		1788.
	H. E. T.	1789; 1789.
	H. M.	1790.
		1791.
	T.	1792; 1792.
	T. M.	1793; 1793.
„ (in assumpsit),		1793-1795.
	H.	1794; 1794.
	H.	1795; 1795-1796.
	T. M.	1796; 1796. ²
	E.	1797; 1797.
	H.	1798; 1798-1799.
		1799; 1799-1801.
	T.	1799.
		1800, ² 1801.
		1801-1802 ² .
„ (Nisi Prius),		1801-1803.
	T.	1802.
		1802 to 1806.
	T.	1805.
	E.	1806; 1806-1809.
		1807, 1808.
		1808-1815.
		1808-1816.
		1808-1820.
		1809-1811.
		1809-1820.
		1809, 1810.
		1810-1811.
		1810-1814.
		1811; 1811-1822
		1812-1818.
		1812, 1813.
		1813-1820.
		1814-1820 ² .
		1814 to 1817.
		1817-1821.
		1818 to 1821.
	M.	1821; 1821-1823.
		1822 to 1825.
		1825-1826.
		1826, 1827 ³ .
		1828-1829.
		1828.
		1830, ² 1830-1831.
		1831, 1832.
	M.	1832.
		1833, 1834 ² .
		1834-1835 ³ .
		1834-1837.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Pleadings— <i>continued.</i>		1835, 1836.
„ mixed file of, .	E.	1837.
		1794-1806.
		1800-1810.
		1804-1816.
		1813-1814.
		1816-1818.
Pleas of Confession, . . .	H.	1776-1780.
		1791-1797.
		1805-1813.
		1811 to 1816.
Pleas in Ejectment, <i>vide</i> In- jured Filings.		1783.
		1788.
		1793, 1794.
		1817.
	H.	1820.
Posteas, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings, .	T.	1745.
	H.	1759.
	T.	1761.
		1764-1765.
		1766.
		1770-1772.
		1773, 1774.
		1776-1784.
		1779; 1781, 1782.
		1782-1784; 1784.
		1783; 1783-1786.
		1785.
	T.	1786.
		1787.
	M.	1788.
		1790.
	H.	1792.
		1794-1796.
	H. E. T.	1796.
		1796-1800.
		1797, 1798.
	M.	1798.
		1799.
	E.	1800.
(H. E.)		1801.
H.	T. M.	1801.
(H. E.)		1801.
F		1802; 1802.
		1803.
	E. T.	1804; 1804.
		1806; 1809, 1810.
		1811-1812.
		1814-1818.
	T.	1819.
		1821, 1822.

SCHEDULE of RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Posteas— <i>continued.</i>		1822-1823. 1823-1825. 1824-1828. 1824-1829. 1827-1829. 1829-1830. 1829, 1830. 1831-1832. 1832; 1832-1834. 1834. 1835, ² 1836. ² 1837. 1838-1841. ² 1771-1773. 1777. 1779, 1781. 1786. 1804-1808. 1808, 1818. 1837 to 1842. 1792-1800. 1802. 1804-1822. 1816-1817. 1818-1819; 1819. 1824. 1752. 1757-1761. 1766-1788. 1785-1789. H. 1786-E. 1794. 1804-1817. T. 1821-E. 1825. 1824-1825. 1825-1832. ² 1831-1833. 1832-1834. 1835-1836. 1839, 1840. 1800. 1781-1787. 1822-1840. 1789. 1790-1799. 1797-1798. 1800. 1805, 1806. 1808.
	H.	
Posteas and Inquisitions,	H.	
	E.	
Reports,		
Scire Facias, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings.		
	H.	
Scire Facias, Pleas to,	H.	
Second Declarations,		
Special Juries, file of,	T.	
Suggestions, file of,		
Venires, <i>vide</i> Injured Filings,		

SCHEDULE OF RECORDS of LAW EXCHEQUER—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Term.	Year of Parcel.
Venires— <i>continued.</i>		1813.
		1814; 1814–1815.
		1816–1817.
		1817–1818; 1818.
		1818–1820.
		1822–1824.
		1825–1826.
		1831–1832.
		1833–1834.
	T.	1836; 1836. ⁴
		1837. ⁴
		1837–1839.
		1838.
		1839; 1839–1840.
		1840.
		1841; ² 1841–1842.
		1842.
Warrants of Attorney, <i>vide</i> In- jured Filings.	T. M.	1802.
	H. M.	1803.
	T.	1805.
	M.	1806.
	H. ² E. M.	1807.
	H. T. M.	1808.
	H. E. T.	1809.
	H. M.	1810.
	E. T.	1811.
	H. E. T. M.	1812.
		1812; 1812–1813.
	E. T.	1813.
	H.	1835.
Writs,		1760–1825.
		1779.
		1782–1784.
		1803.
		1804–1805.
		1806.
		1814, 1815. ²
		1816.
		1818.
	E.	1820.

APPENDIX No. 8.

EXTRACT from AD INTERIM REPORT of the ASSISTANT DEPUTY
KEEPER on the RECORDS of the EQUITY EXCHEQUER.

The equity jurisdiction of the Court of Exchequer was transferred to the Court of Chancery by the Act 13th & 14th Victoria, chapter 51, entitled "An Act for the Transfer of the Equitable Jurisdiction of the Court of Exchequer to the Court of Chancery in Ireland," to take effect from the 1st day of August, 1850, and the Records belonging to it were, in accordance with that Act, transferred to various offices in Chancery.

In my reports of last year, the one dated the 25th day of September, 1868, on the transfer of the Records of the Affidavit Office, Chancery, and the other dated the 30th of November, 1868, on the transfer of the Records of the Registrar's Office, Chancery, I pointed out that along with each collection I had removed certain Records of the Equity Exchequer, upon which I promised to make a full report this year. I find, however, that, though, in addition to the Records above mentioned, there has been transferred to this Department Equity Exchequer Records from the Recognizance Office, Chancery, the Examiner's Office, Chancery, and from the Record Rooms in the Benchers' Buildings, lately in charge of the Rolls Office, forming, taken together, the great bulk of the collection, I would not be at present justified in attempting to offer you a complete report on the Records of this Court, as there are still Records belonging to it which will be transferred to us during the ensuing year. I have, therefore, prepared a full and exhaustive Schedule of the series of Records that have up to this date been transferred to this Department, stating from what Office they come, and the dates between which the series extend, which will, I trust, be of use to the public until I am able to prepare a more full and minute report. When I state that up to this date there have been transferred to this department 5,238 bundles or separate parcels of Records belonging to the Equity Exchequer, each parcel containing on an average over one hundred Records, you may be enabled to form a definite notion of the size of the collection.

In reference to the operations of sorting, bundling, and arranging the mass of Pleadings for removal, I append a memorandum furnished to me by Mr. Tucker, under whose immediate inspection these Records were prepared for entry and removal.

A SCHEDULE of the EQUITY EXCHEQUER RECORDS transferred to the Public Record Office of Ireland.

Nature of Record.	Transferred from	Range of Series.
Affidavits,	Affidavit Off., Chancery,	1800-1850
"	Benchers' Buildings, .	1734-1752
" (of service), . . .	Affidavit Off., Chancery,	1772-1850
Answers to Bills, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1648-1850
" (never filed), . . .	"	Undated.
Appearance Books, . . .	"	1684-1833
Attachments (Books), . . .	"	1684-1845
" for Costs,	"	1733-1818
Attorneys' Consents, . . .	"	1705-1722
Awards,	"	1700-1850
Barons' Certificates, . . .	"	1692-1807
" Reports,	"	1676-1823
" Warrants,	"	1692-1807
Bills,	"	1648-1850
Bills, Tithe,	"	19 Jan. 1835- 18 Aug. 1838
Certificates,	Benchers' Buildings and Examiner's Office.	1813-1850
" Barons,	"	1692-1807
" Chief Remembrancer . . .	"	1630-1817
" Judges,	"	1770-1849
Chief Remembrancer's Reports, . . .	"	1630-1717
Commission and Subpoena Books, . . .	"	1687-1849
Commissioners' names to take Affidavits and Depositions.	"	1732-1822
Consents,	Benchers' Buildings and Chancery Registrar's Office.	1713-1850
" Attorneys',	Benchers' Buildings, .	1705-1722
Costs, Attachments for, . . .	"	1733-1818
Decrees,	Benchers' Buildings and Rolls Office.	1624-1850
Decree Rolls,	Benchers' Buildings, .	1785-1843
Decretal Orders,	"	1657-1763
Deed Books,	"	1715-1798
Depositions in Aid,	"	1637-1826
Depositions in Chief, . . .	Benchers' Buildings and Examiner's Office.	1650-1850
Exceptions,	Benchers' Buildings, .	1708-1781
Exceptions to Answers to Inter- rogatories.	"	1693-1826
Exceptions to Barons' and Officers' Reports.	"	1693-1826
Execution and Writ Books, . . .	"	1714-1771
Hearing Books,	Benchers' Buildings and Chancery Registrar's Office.	1731-1850
N.B.—Prior to 1731, the Hear- ings were kept in the Note or Rule Books.		
Hearing, Notes on,	Benchers' Buildings, .	1715-1796
House of Lords' Orders, . . .	"	1706-1846
Injunction Orders,	"	1717-1771

A SCHEDULE of the EQUITY EXCHEQUER RECORDS—*continued.*

Nature of Record.	Transferred from	Range of Series.
Judges' Certificates, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1770-1849
Minors' Petitions, . . .	" . . .	1721-1781
Motions, Notices of, . . .	Benchers' Buildings and Examiner's Office.	1819-1850
Note or Rule Books, . . .	Benchers' Buildings and Chancery Registrar's Office.	1678-1850
Notes on Hearing, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1715-1796
Notices of Motion, . . .	Benchers' Buildings and Examiner's Office.	1819-1850
Officers' Reports, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1758-1806
Order Books, . . .	" . . .	1675-1761
Orders, . . .	" . . .	1683-1850
„ to receive Answers with- out Oath.	" . . .	1761-1809
„ Decretal, . . .	" . . .	1657-1763
„ to examine Witnesses, .	" . . .	1685-1800
„ for Hearings, . . .	" . . .	1734-1800
„ House of Lords', . . .	" . . .	1706-1846
„ Injunctions, . . .	" . . .	1717-1771
„ to pay Money out of Court,	" . . .	1783-1785
„ of Reference, . . .	" . . .	1703-1782
Paupers' Petitions, . . .	" . . .	1709-1710
Petitions, . . .	Benchers' Buildings and Chancery Registrar's Office.	1702-1850
Petitions, Pauper, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1709-1710
„ Minors', . . .	" . . .	1721-1781
„ for Receivers, . . .	" . . .	1835-1850
Powers of Attorney, . . .	" . . .	1659-1795
Receivers, Petitions for, .	" . . .	1835-1850
Recognizances, . . .	Chancery Recognizance Office.	1772-1850
Reducement Books, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1684-1812
Reference, Orders of, . . .	" . . .	1703-1782
Reports, Barons', . . .	" . . .	1676-1823
Reports, Chief Remembrancers',	" . . .	1635-1782
Reports, Officers', . . .	" . . .	1758-1806
Reports of Sale, . . .	" . . .	1774-1779
Rolls, Decree, . . .	" . . .	1785-1843
Rule or Note Books, . . .	Benchers' Buildings and Chancery Registrar's Office.	1678-1850
Sale, Reports of, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1774-1799
Service, Affidavits of, . . .	Affidavit Office, .	1717-1850
Submissions, . . .	Benchers' Buildings, .	1716-1849
Subpœna and Commission Books,	" . . .	1687-1849
Tithe Bills, . . .	" . . .	19 Jan. 1835- 18 Aug. 1838
Warrants of Attorney, . . .	" . . .	1795-1814
„ Barons', . . .	" . . .	1692-1807
Writ Books, . . .	" . . .	1679-1785

MEMORANDUM from Mr. TUCKER, above referred to.

As regards the arrangements and preparation of the Bills, Answers, and Decrees of the Court of Equity Exchequer, deposited in Benchers' Buildings, for transfer to this office, I commenced with the Bills and Answers, the first of which dates from the year 1648. It was the practice to place together the Bills and Answers on the one file, which practice continued down to the year 1801. I found this part of the collection in tolerably fair order, save that in the Pleadings for the year 1793 a great quantity of the contents of the shelves had fallen on the floor from opposite sides, and had got mixed up in great confusion with other dates. These I had carefully sorted, collated, and placed in their proper dates and years. I then caused the whole to be divided into small bundles, suitable for trammelling after the same manner as I had previously treated the Chancery Pleadings, having them indorsed with temporary labels attached to the several bundles, giving the first and last dates of each; this portion of the collection had been placed on the shelves in the full length of the skin, and amounted to 1,906 bundles.

From the year 1801, two changes were made, viz., in the use of separate files for Bills and Answers, and in the size of the parchment skins on which they were written. This latter change having come in gradually, caused me a great deal of trouble, as I had to have all the documents opened for some years previous, and the large parchment skins folded to the size of the smaller ones, so as to make them fit the receptacles in the Treasury with the greatest economy of space; and while proceeding with this arrangement I found that this portion of the Pleadings was in very disordered and confused state, as, from having been placed in a double row, side by side in the shelves, without any division whatever, they had got mixed through each other.

I caused the pleadings from the year 1798 to 1825 to be sorted and arranged, placing those of each series by themselves in their proper months and years. From 1826 to 1839, I found that no order had been observed at all, save in the yearly divisions. These I treated in the same manner as the former, and had them tied up in convenient bundles, and placed in their shelves bookwise. Of this collection there are 354 bundles.

The Bills and Answers, subsequent to 1839, had been previously arranged.

The number of bundles of Bills in this series was 420, and of Answers 421, making a total in all of 841 bundles. Exclusive of the above series I found a large number of Tithe Bills from 1835 to 1838.

These having been left on the flat lengthwise, I had them arranged and folded bookwise, and placed in their shelves—the number of bundles of this series was 98.

During the process of sorting the above collection, I found several Chancery Bills and Answers among the Exchequer Records; I have restored these to their proper destinations among the Chancery Pleadings in the Record Treasury.

Towards the completion of my arrangements I found a large number of fragments of Bills and Answers. I made up 5 bundles of those with dates, from 1769 to 1846, and 22 bundles of some without any dates, also 4 bundles of Answers not having any dates of filing.

The Equity Exchequer decrees begin in 1624, and terminate in 1843, and were folded bookwise, and tied in large unwieldy yearly bundles, the contents of which had often got intermixed. I had them all opened, sorted according to date, pressed and numbered with a running number for each year, for facility of reference. They were then tied up in convenient sized paper portfolios, and form a series of 225 bundles.

APPENDIX 9.

EXTRACT from REPORT of the ASSISTANT DEPUTY KEEPER on the preparation for TRANSFER and REMOVAL of the RECORDS of the REVENUE EXCHEQUER deposited in BENCHERS' BUILDING.

The first floor of Benchers' Building consisted of eight rooms, numbered consecutively from 1 to 8. No. 1 was vacant; No. 5 contained Equity Exchequer Records; and No. 6, Records belonging to the Law Exchequer. The remaining five rooms were closely packed with Records belonging to the Revenue Exchequer, of which I purpose now to treat.

These Revenue Exchequer Records belong entirely to those Departments of the Court of Exchequer abolished by the Act 5 & 6 Wm. IV., cap. 55, relating to proceedings by Custodiam, and proceedings for the Collection of Casual Revenue. By this Act, the following Offices were abolished, viz.: "The Offices of Comptroller of the Pipe, Clerk of the Pipe, Summonister and Clerk of the Estreats, and Transcripitor and Foreign Apposer, and the Office of Secondary in the Office of Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer;" and the process of Sheriff's Accounting was greatly simplified. Sheriffs were from that date to be appointed by the warrant of the Lord Lieutenant, or the Executive of Ireland for the time being; they were no longer to be required to sue out any Patents or Writs of Assistance; to make or pay Proffers; or to be apposed, or cast out of Court, and the form of their taking oath was altered, and limited merely to the oath of office. The three processes also (commonly called the Green Wax Processes), issued by the Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer for the collection of the Casual Revenue, were consolidated into one writ, to be issued by the Chief Remembrancer, and "without fee or reward." Up to this time the practice under which every officer was paid by fees collected in his office, had acted prejudicially upon the different series and classes of Records, and upon the manner in which they were kept and indexed. As a rule, no indices were preserved or made, for they would have diminished greatly the fees for searching; an Index Book would have shown an inquirer at a glance whether the particular document he was in search of existed or not, but when the Records themselves had to be examined for every separate name, many searches had to be paid for before the Inquirer could ascertain whether the Record he sought was in the office or not. Again, several of the classes of Records herein reported on are merely copies of one another, kept in different Offices of the Court, seemingly for no other purpose but the multiplication of fees. To such an extent did this practice prevail, that Processes were issued which appear to have been merely superfluous, and in direct opposition to the Rules of the Court.

By the 1 & 2 Vic., cap. 99, all Fines, Penalties, Issues, Deodands, Amerciements, and Forfeited Recognizances, commonly known as Casual Revenue, and collected by the Chief Remembrancer, by means of the consolidated Green Wax Process, were to be levied thenceforward by Warrants, to be executed by the Constabulary or Police.

In relation to the proceedings concerning grants in Custodiam, the Act 5 & 6 Wm. IV., cap. 55, instituted a complete revolution; it enacted that no grant in Custodiam for recovery of any debt or demand should for the future be made, with the sole exception of grants in Custodiam

in trust for His Majesty, and for debts certified by the Attorney or Solicitor General for Ireland to be due to the Crown, making it lawful for any person who had a Custodiam grant in being, to apply to the Equity side of the Exchequer for a Receiver over the lands in question, and for any person requiring a grant in Custodiam in the future, that he should apply, in lieu thereof, by Petition to the Court of Chancery or the Equity side of the Exchequer, for a Receiver, which Receiver, unlike a Custodee, who was only bound to account when called upon by the Order of the Court, should account annually.

The Records belonging to the Offices abolished, as above mentioned, were directed by the same Act to be delivered into the hands and care of the Chief Remembrancer, to be by him preserved, subject to such Rules, Orders, and Regulations, as he, with the Lord Chief Baron and the other Barons of the Exchequer, should ordain and make. They were accordingly received by the Chief Remembrancer, and retained in his custody and the custody of his officers, until the abolition of the Equity Jurisdiction of the Exchequer, and the office of Chief Remembrancer by the Act 13 & 14 Vic., cap. 50.

It then became necessary to provide for their future custody, and in pursuance of the 13th section of the last-mentioned Act, an Order, with two schedules annexed, was made by the Lord Chancellor and the Lord Chief Baron, on the 9th December, 1852. The first Schedule contained the Records that were intended to be handed over to the custody of the Rolls Office, but which, with the exception of the following, now preserved in this Department among the Records of Chancery transferred from the late Rolls Office, were really placed in the custody of the Master of the Exchequer, viz. :

Plea Roll	6 Ed. I.	Plea Roll,	18 Ed. II.
"	9 "	"	1 Ed. III.
"	31 "	"	1 & 2 "
"	4 Ed. II.		
"	5 & 6 "	"	6 "
"	9 "	"	9 & 10 "
"	10 "	"	2 Hen. IV.
" Placita coram Justiciario," or Rolls of Assize.			
	28 Ed. I.		6 Ed. II.
	33 & 34 "		7 Ed. III.
	34 "	41 & 42	"
	35 "		

Returns of Sub-Commissioners on Forfeitures of 1688.

Armagh,	Louth,
Carlow,	Meath,
Kildare, No. 1.	Monaghan,
Kilkenny,	Westmeath,
Londonderry,	Wicklow ;

Notaries' Certificates, 1471-1541 ; 25 of the Patent and 11 of the Close Rolls belonging to the Chancery series.

A Fiant of 1606.

Exemplifications, Hen. VII. to Cromwell.

Deeds, James I. ; Chas. I. and II. ; Jas. II. ; Wm. and Mary ; Wm. III. ; Anne and Geo. II.

Probates, 1586 to 1782.

The Second Schedule contained the Records that were transferred to the custody of the Master of the Exchequer, and placed in these Record Rooms in the Benchers' Building. Of these, the following were after-

wards under the directions of the then Master of the Exchequer, with the object of greater security and increased facility of access, removed from the Benchers' Building and placed in the Master's Court, viz. :—

Rolls of Connaught Certificates.

„ Adventurers' and Soldiers' Certificates.

„ Decrees of Innocents.

„ "Forty-nine Lots."

„ Quit-Rent Reducements.

Pipe Roll, 45 & 46 Hen. III.

Memoranda Rolls.

Communia Rolls.

Originalia Rolls, 35 Eliz. (2); 36 & 39 Eliz.; 37 Eliz.; Jas. I.; 1611; 1661-65; 1662-63; 26 & 27 Chas. II.

Inquisitions.

Books of Tenures.

Book of Orders of Court of Claims, 6 June, 1654; 29th October, 1655.

Book of Decrees of Court of Claims, 25th July; 14th October, 1654.

Book of Orders in Exchequer on Claims, Hilary, 1655; November, 1657.

Fourth Journal of Commissioners under Act of Settlement, 11th March, 1666; 13th December, 1667.

Order Book of Commissioners of Reducement, 1675-1709; 1679-1697.

The Red Book.

The Black Book.

Valor Beneficiorum.

Register's Book; Commissioners of Ecclesiastical Causes, 1570-73.

Book of Subsidies, 1661-70.

Inventory of Utensils in Custom Houses, 1663.

Dockets for Judgments.

Book of Homage Fines, E. 1610-M. 1612; E. 1627-T. 1629; 1629; 1629-32.

Book of Respite of Homage Fines, 1625-26; 1630-38; 1632-39; 1639-41.

Book of lands for which Fines for Respite of Homage were paid, Jas. I.

Book of lands passed on Surveys of Connaught, chargeable with Respite of Homage, 1616-32.

Book of Fines and Amerciaments, 1656-65.

Repertories to Inquisitions, Hen. VIII.-Eliz.; Jas. I. and Chas. I. (Calendar 14-25 Hen. VIII.)

Memoranda Rolls, Ed. I.-Ed. III.; Ed. VI.-Eliz.; 1-29 Eliz.; Jas. I.-Chas. I.; Chas. II.

Communia Rolls, 1605-27.

Originalia Rolls, 1603-26; 1627-36; 1637-41.

Claimants' Names, 1654-5.

Decrees of Innocence and Adventurers' and Soldiers' Certificates.

Connaught Certificates and Reducements of Quit-Rent.

These remain still in the custody of the Master of the Exchequer, and will be transferred to this Department with other Records of that Court.

The residue of the Records comprised in the Second Schedule, I have actually transferred. I found them in very good order and condition, and in no wise injured by damp or exposure. I have interfered as little as possible with the late Mr. Ferguson's arrangement and classification of them, though, at some future time, I hope to be allowed to present

to you a detailed calendar of such of the miscellanea as may be considered sufficiently valuable.

In my remarks and notes on the different series, I have endeavoured to be as short and concise as was consistent with clearness, and have refrained as much as possible from going into the general practice or history of the Court. Persons wishing to do this will get every information in Howard's Revenue Exchequer, from which I have derived the greatest assistance. In the three schedules below, I have endeavoured to show what series of Records are in existence, the periods through which they extend, and, where the titles did not sufficiently explain themselves, briefly to point out what they are. I have abstained from anything approaching a calendar or index of particulars, as I thought this was a work for a future time, and more extended experience of the Exchequer Records.

I found the two Schedules mentioned above, which were prepared by the late Mr. Ferguson, of the greatest assistance. I may remark here on the difficulty of separating the Records of the Equity and Revenue Exchequer, as in general they bear no entitlement by which they may be distinguished. In some cases they seem to have been confused.

I have given below three Schedules or Inventories:—The first, of those Records kept separately or on rolls; the second of the series kept as books; and the third, of miscellanea of which there is not sufficient to form independent classes or series.

The Records kept separately are:—

Affidavits upon which Motions, &c., have			
been founded,	1664-1835 in 173 bundles.		
Assistance Schedules,	1708-1823 „ 20 „		
Attachments,	1682-1835 „ 60 „		
Bonds and Assignments thereof,	1638-1720 „ 22 „		
Certificates of Clerk and Comptroller of the			
Pipe,	1809-1829 „ 2 „		
Certificates, Consents, &c.,	1730-1835 „ 8 „		
„ of different offices,	1825-1835 „ 1 „		
„ of appointment of Mayors, Sheriffs, &c.,	1637-1835 „ 13 „		
Comptroller's Process to Collectors,	1786-1827 „ 6 „		
„ „ Sheriffs,	1765-1835 „ 72 „		
„ „ Treasurers,	1798-1817 „ 18 „		
Consents,	1776-1835 „ 4 „		
Constats of Fines,	1712-1816 „ 24 „		
Custodiam, Grants of,	1681-1835 „ 236 „		
„ Charges, Discharges, Reports, and Exceptions,	1726-1835 „ 11 „		
„ Constats,	1775-1835 „ 8 „		
„ Orders,	1671-1834 „ 15 „		
„ Rolls,	1716-1785 „ 15 „		
Estreats,	1787-1825 „ 23 „		
„ of Inquisitions,	1633-1725 „ 19 „		
„ of Outlawries, &c.,	1685-1835 „ 50 „		
Exannual Rolls,	1686-1728 „ 26 „		
Great Rolls of the Pipe,	1740-1818 „ 95 „		
Informations and Answers thereto,	1688-1850 „ 70 „		
Injunctions (Custodiam),	1724-1836 „ 63 „		
Inquisitions on Pipe Process,	1705-1798 „ 7 „		
Interrogatories and Depositions,	1657-1834 „ 35 „		
Leases (Treasurer's Remembrancer).	1753-1835 „ 11 „		

Nils,	1708-1833 in	53 bundles
Notices, Admissions of,	1831-1835	" 1
" and Affidavits of Service thereof,	1775-1835	" 22
Orders (Revenue Exchequer),	1660-1765	" 147
Paper Books,	1740-1803	" 5
Petitions and Orders thereon,	1672-1826	" 114
Pleadings (Treasurer's Remembrancer),	1676-1835	" 9
Schedules of Nils from the Pipe,	1676-1808	" 98
Sheriff's Accounts,	1807-1834	" 10
" Accounts or Tot Rolls,	1740-1834	" 95
" Recognizances and Oaths,	1726-1785	" 10
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Affidavits,

upon which Motions, &c., have been founded.

On some of the earlier Affidavits are entered the Orders of the Court made thereon; and in some cases, Affidavits of service are written on the orders for service.

Assistance Schedules.

These are also called "Schedules and Writs of Assistance," and contain Affidavits upon which to ground applications for Writs of Assistance, together with the Writs (which latter are directed to the Sheriffs for the time being), to assist the late Sheriffs for one whole year in collecting the sums of money set out in Schedules annexed to the Writs, due to them in virtue of their office.

Attachments

are Writs of Attachments directed to the Pursuivant of the Exchequer, to bring up Sheriffs before the Court for various causes. The returns thereto are indorsed on the backs of the Writs.

Bonds and Assignments, and Revocations of Bonds.

The earliest Bond is dated 1638, but the earliest Assignment appears to be 1663. There is a book that purports to be a book of the entries of "Assignments of Bonds from 1663 to 1681," but it only contains Assignments in the first three letters of the alphabet. The Bonds as early as 1658 are on printed forms with the names, dates, &c., filled in. These are from the Secondary's office.

Certificates of the Clerk, and the Comptroller of the Pipe,

are Certificates of Clerks of the Crown and Peace having filed their Ex-treats, and of the payment by Sheriffs of sums into the Treasury.

Certificates and Consents.

These contain Certificates from the Clerk of the Pipe of Sheriffs having paid their Tots, and of Fines imposed on them for various causes; and Consents that the Sheriffs might have their Recognizances vacated, with papers in relation to the above.

Certificates of different Officers

of the Court of Exchequer; chiefly from the Pipe office.

Certificates of the Election, appointment and swearing into office of Mayors, Sheriffs and Bailiffs

transmitted to the Court of Exchequer, by the returning officer.

Comptroller's Process to Collectors of Forfeited Recognizances.

Bring Process issued by the Comptroller of the Pipe on forfeited Recognizances, when estreated into the Exchequer.

N.B. — No Recognizances were estreated out of the Petty Bag, Chancery, into the Exchequer; and the statute staple and statute merchant were estreated into Chancery.

Comptroller's Process to Sheriffs.

This is the second Process of the Pipe, also called Pipe process, issued in the Trinity vacation by the Comptroller upon the Transcripts made by the Clerk of the Pipe, out of the "Great Roll" into the "Paper Books," and is against body, goods, and lands. Howard states that this process is most unnecessary, and contrary to the Rules of the 25th November, 1685, and 28th November, 1709—(*vide* Summonister's Process.)

Comptroller's Process to Treasurers,

was directed to Treasurers of Counties.

Consents.

These were Consents to dissolve Custodiams, vacate Recognizances; and in other matters connected with the Casual Revenue.

Constats of Fines.

Fines on the Pleas side and those estreated into the Exchequer were delivered to the Summonister, and those in the Chief and Second Remembrancers' Offices to the Clerk of the Pipe: the above were the Certificates of Fines from the Office of the Clerk of the Pipe and Summonister, which those Officers made when it was intended to Plead or Move for their discharge; and also Constats or Certificates of the Clerk of the Pipe in relation to Custodiams, and the passing of Sheriffs' accounts, after fines had been imposed for delay.

Custodiams.

These are the original Grants of Custodiams, with the Exchequer Seal attached.

Custodiam Charges, Discharges, Exceptions and Reports.

These seem to be wanting from 1746 to 1768; and from 1782 to 1790. From 1726 to 1746, they consist of Charges and Discharges alone, but from that date the four descriptions of Documents seem to have been filed together. They are the proceedings upon an Order to account at foot of a Custodiam, before the Treasurer's Remembrancer, as follows: the Plaintiff filed his Charge, containing a statement of the debt due to him; the other party then filed his Discharge, consisting of an account of the Receipts from the lands, or the yearly value; upon these the Officer drew up his Report, to which either side might take exception, as well as to the Charge or Discharge.

Custodiam Constats

are formal Certificates of the existence of Custodiams, signed by the Clerk of the Pipe, after search made in his office.

Custodiam Orders

are copies made from the original Orders.

Custodiam Rolls.

The Enrolments of Custodiams were written on these parchment Rolls to the year 1785, from which date they were enrolled in books—(*vide* Custodiam Enrolment Books.)

Estreats

are the Estreats of all Recognizances forfeited at General Sessions and Assizes. They are arranged according to counties.

Estreats of Inquisitions.

These Rolls contain the Estreats from Inquisitions in Chancery, and will, doubtless, prove of value where the originals may have been lost—(*vide* miscellaneous list below).

Estreats of Outlawries and Inquisitions.

These Rolls were of Record with the Clerk of Estreats, and contain the Estreats of the returns of the Sheriffs to Writs, directing them to return what property in their respective counties was held by A. B., an outlaw, at the time of, or after his outlawry, which returns were made at the request of the Attorney-General; they also contain Estreats of Inquisitions upon Writs of *Levari Facias* thereto annexed.

Exannual Rolls

contain Entries for each county of the Casual Revenue due thereout. The periods for each county vary so much, that I have given in the Schedule above the earliest and latest dates I could find, without respect to the county. Jacob says, "In the old way of exhibiting Sheriffs' accounts, illeivable fines were transcribed in a Roll, called Exannual Roll, which was read yearly, to see what might be gotten."

Great Rolls of the Pipe,

labelled also "Pipe Rolls," and "Pipe Bundles." These are in two separate series, the one from 1740 to 1791, kept in yearly Rolls; the other from 1792 to 1818, kept in County Rolls. In continuation of the latter series are five bundles of Membranes, not made up. These Rolls were made out by the Clerk of the Pipe, of all Rents and Debts whatsoever brought into any of the other offices of the Exchequer, and accounted for in the Court, and of all the Debts that are in arrear, and unanswered for by the Sheriffs on passing their accounts.

Informations and Answers thereto,

being Informations by English Bill or otherwise, filed by the Attorney-General on behalf of His Majesty in the Secondary's office of the Chief Remembrancer. These will be supplemented by those at present in the custody of the Master of the Exchequer—a portion of the same series. There are two Information Entry Books, from 1699 to 1825, indexed alphabetically in Defendants' names, and continued to the year 1844, by Indexes in the custody of the Master of the Exchequer. N.B.—These Records do not peculiarly belong to any of the offices abolished in 1835, as they were of Record with the Chief Remembrancer.

Injunctions on Custodiams.

The Writs issued by the Chief Remembrancer to the Sheriffs, to put custodees in possession; with these are put up, especially among the earlier bundles, Writs of Seizure, Green Wax Process, *Levari Facias*, *Venire*, *Amoveas Manus* and Writs of Sale (*de Venditione*), &c.

Inquisitions on Pipe Process

are Inquisitions taken before the Sheriff, showing the Debts due on Pipe Process, by whom, and whether the Debtor had goods and chattels sufficient to satisfy the debt; with these are included Inquisitions on the other Green Wax Process.

Interrogatories and Depositions.

These are in pursuance of English bill, filed by way of Information in Crown cases.

Leases.

These consist of leases made for terms of three years by the Treasurer's Remembrancer of lands or tithes granted in custodiam, and directed to be set by him by public cant to the highest bidder, under an order of the Court, a copy of which order accompanies each lease. They are written on printed forms.

Nils.

These are the transcripts of the Nils (*i.e.* Nihil in Manibus) being all the sums for which the Sheriffs do not "tot," (Totum in Manibus) made out by the Foreign Apposer of the Exchequer, and sent by him to the Clerk of the Pipe: they are written on small parchment rolls. A few schedules of Nils from the Pipe are mixed with them.

Notices: Admissions of.

These are admissions of Notices by the Attorney-General in cases concerning Custodiams.

Notices and Affidavits.

Being Notices and Affidavits of the service thereof in cases relating to Custodiams.

Orders of Court.

These include some few Petitions, with orders thereon.

Paper Books

contain the transcripts from the Great Roll, made by the Clerk of the Pipe, of Nils of Sheriffs not reduced or discharged by order, sent to the Comptroller of the Pipe, and on which he issued the Comptrollers' or second Process.

Petitions and Orders thereon.

These are Petitions ex parte the Chief Remembrancer, directed to the Commissioners of Reducement, praying for reduction, discharges, &c., from fines, rents, &c. Among the earlier dates, in some cases, the orders alone exist.

Pleadings.

Being the Pleas of traverse, postea, Venire distringas, replications further pleas, rejoinders, interrogatories, exceptions thereto, pleadings to Estreats, and other pleadings in crown cases. There is one Entry Book for these from M. 1761 to 1835, indexed in Defendants' names.

Schedules of Nils

are the schedules of what sums were nil'd in the second Process of the Pipe, sent by the Clerk of the Pipe once a year to the Treasurer's Remembrancer, upon which issued the Treasurer's Remembrancer's Process or Long Writ.

Sheriffs' Accounts

are the accounts made out and brought in by the Sheriffs for their year of office.

Sheriffs' Account or Tot Rolls

contain the accounts of the Sheriffs, made out by the Comptroller of the Pipe, of the amounts of their Proffers and Tots, with the receipt of the Vice-Treasurer for Tots paid, and necessary Certificates attached. There is a small parchment Roll for each year and county.

Recognizances and Oaths (High Sheriffs').

The Sheriffs had each to enter into Recognizances of £500, with two sureties, conditioned to properly discharge the duties of their office with respect to His Majesty's Revenue, and also to take oaths to furnish true accounts of their office.

There is a series of Copies of Recognizances and Oaths from 1714 to 1832.

Solicitor of the Casual Revenue ; Papers of.

This is a very miscellaneous lot, containing copies of letters to various officials, and of Documents issued from their Departments : also Briefs, Costs, Cases, and Opinions, Copies of Recognizances, Affidavits, Letter Books of the Solicitor, Copies of Orders, &c.

Summonister's Process.

This was the first Process, sometimes particularly called the "Green Wax Process," though the term was more generally and properly applied to the three Processes of the Summonister, Pipe and Treasurers' Remembrancer. It was issued twice in every year, viz. :—in Trinity and Hilary Vacation, by the Clerk of the Estreats and Summonister against the goods only, and was returned by the Sheriffs yearly, when they came to account. The three Processes after 1835 were consolidated in one Writ, to be issued by the Chief Remembrancer.

Tithe Schedules

are the Memorials and Schedules of Tithes under the Act 3 & 4 William IV., Cap. 100, Sec. 7, made by the owners of Tithes for the various parishes throughout Ireland, claiming compensation for loss of Tithes during the years 1831–2–3. Sec. 19 directs that these original Memorials shall be deposited in the proper office of the Exchequer, for the purpose of affording information to the Commission of Composition.

Treasurers' Remembrancers' Process.

This was the third Process, and was against body, goods, lands, heirs, executors and administrators, and was issued every Trinity Vacation upon the Schedules of the Pipe, sent from the Clerk of the Pipe to the Treasurers' Remembrancer. This is also called the Long Writ or Prerogative Writ. Down to the 28th November, 1709, it was issued till the debts were paid, or discharged : but from that date it was directed that it should issue but once, unless by particular order.

The Books are

Appearance Books,	.	.	.	1681–1845 in	3 volumes
Attachment Books,	.	.	.	1760–1820 „	2 „
Attorneys' Licenses,	.	.	.	1815–1835 „	4 „
Bonds, Assignments of,	.	.	.	1663–1681 „	2 „
Cant Books,	.	.	.	1793–1835 „	3 „

Comptrollers' Books (Port of Dublin), . . .	1691-1719 in 16 volumes.	
" Journals, " . . .	1662-1702 " 5 "	
" Ledgers, " . . .	1664-1702 " 4 "	
Custodiam Grants, . . .	1685-1835 " 26 "	
Custodiam Enrolments, . . .	1786-1835 " 12 "	
Custodiam Rents, . . .	1711-1820 " 6 "	
Docket Books, Estreats of Inquisitions, . . .	1761-1835 " 7 "	
Estreat Books, . . .	1758-1815 " 2 "	
" Great Roll" Books, . . .	1760-1820 " 4 "	
Great Roll and Sheriffs' Entries, . . .	1820-1833 " 3 "	
Ex parte Chief Remembrancer, . . .	1604-1673 " 40 "	
Order Books, viz. :—		
Order and Rule Books, . . .	1592-1835 " 93 "	
Absolute Orders, . . .	1666-1835 " 93 "	
Conditional Orders, . . .	1699-1835 " 24 "	
Custodiam Orders, . . .	1678-1835 " 33 "	
Custodiam Orders (Ch. Rem.), . . .	1786-1820 " 8 "	
Injunction Orders, . . .	1775-1835 " 18 "	
Pipe Orders, . . .	1686-1835 " 21 "	
Pipe Custodiam Orders, . . .	1773-1835 " 17 "	
Pipe Discharge Orders, . . .	1773-1827 " 12 "	
Pipe Reducement Orders, . . .	1790-1816 " 3 "	
Port Books, . . .	1634-1759 " 35 "	
Recognizance Books, . . .	1640-1720 " 6 "	
Reducement Books, . . .	1684-1812 " 8 "	
Sheriffs' Accounts, Constats, and Transcripts, . . .	1592-1835 " 20 "	
Sheriffs' Debets, . . .	1696-1835 " 7 "	
Sheriffs' "Quietus Est," . . .	1683-1833 " 4 "	
Sheriffs' Tot Books, . . .	1781-1835 " 2 "	
Writ Books, . . .	1697-1785 " 5 "	

Appearance Books

contain the entries of Appearances to Informations by the Attorney-General on behalf of His Majesty. The volumes from 1762 to 1831 are at present wanting. Indexed alphabetically in Defendants' Names. (*Wife Informations.*)

Attachment Books

contain entries of Writs of Attachment, made out day by day. The third volume, which contains at the end the Certificates of Appointments of Corporate Officers from 1793 to 1835, is much mutilated. (*Wife Estreat Books.*)

Attorneys' Licenses.

Alphabetical lists of the Attorneys licensed in each year, with the dates of the licenses.

Bonds, Assignments of.

In two volumes: Vol. 1, from 1663-81, contains the entries of names of Assignor and Assignee, dates and amounts of Bonds for the letters A. B. C. alone, and at the end, the "years vulture, issued in procease to the respective counties. Hillary Tearme, 1682." Vol. 2 contains merely the names of Assignor and Assignee, alphabetically arranged. There is no date to this volume, but it appears to be of about the same date as vol. 1.

Cant Books.

Notes of auctions, of lands, &c., held under Custodiam, with Certificates at foot of the sale thereof to the highest bidder.

Comptrollers' Books

contain the accounts of H. M. Revenue in the Port of Dublin, made out and sworn to by the Comptroller. The volumes from 1693 to 1697, and 1711 to 1717, are wanting.

Comptrollers' Journals.

Lettered A. E. G. H. I. K. The missing letters show the breaks in the series.

Comptrollers' Ledgers.

Lettered C. G. I. K. The missing letters show the blanks.

Custodiam Grants.

These are also styled Custodiam Leases, and are indexed alphabetically in names of Defendants. A volume, brought from the custody of the Master of the Exchequer, containing grants in Crown cases, continues the series to 1850. (*Vide Report above.*)

Custodiam Enrolments

are merely copies of the Custodiam Grants, for the purpose of Enrolment. (*Vide Custodiam Rolls.*)

Custodiam Rents.

These contain the entries of Custodiam Rents, arranged in counties, with the amounts and other particulars, and notes in the margin indicating when the Custodiams were dissolved. The last volume, though labelled as ending 1820, ends in 1809. (*Vide Great Roll.*)

Docket Books of Estreats of Inquisitions.

These are written in two columns, the first giving the names of causes, which are numbered consecutively in each Term; and the second, the names of counties. Vol. 3 (1773 to 1778) is wanting.

Estreat Books.

The first volume is entitled "Book of Estreats returned into the Second Remembrancers' Office," and contains lists of assizes and sessions for each county, with dates of holding them, and dates of return of Estreats. The second volume contains the Certificates of Appointments of Corporate Officers returned from 1758 to 1793. (*Vide Attachment Books.*)

Great Roll Books.

These contain Custodiam Rents, arranged in counties, and are either copies of the Custodiam Rent Books, or the originals thereof. There are also two volumes labelled "Great Roll, 1759, to present time" (1809), which are duplicate copies of the two first volumes.

Great Roll and Sheriffs' Entries

are parchment books, and contain, in addition to Custodiam Rents, Lists of Process issued to Sheriffs. I think they are a continuation of the Great Rolls of the Pipe, which see.

*Orders.**Ex parte Chief Remembrancer.*

These books contain principally the Orders of the Equity Exchequer, but inasmuch as there are Revenue Orders amongst them, I have inserted them here. Indexed alphabetically in names of causes.

Order and Rule Books.

These are indifferently entitled Order or Rule Books to the year 1699, from which date they are exclusively entitled Rule Books. They are indexed alphabetically in names of causes. Prior to 1699 there are many gaps, the principal of which are from 1629 to 1657, 1666 to 1675, and 1690 to 1699. These Books contain the Minutes of the Rules made by the Court in matters relating to the Treasurers' Remembrancers' Office and the Casual Revenue, which were made out at greater length in the several series of Order Books undermentioned, viz. :—

Absolute Orders.

Gaps from 1666 to 1675, and 1678 to 1721, from which latter date these are quite regular. The title of these orders sufficiently points out their nature. Indexed alphabetically in the names of causes.

Conditional Orders

contain the Conditional Orders antecedent to the Absolute Orders above. Vol. 11 (circa 1797-1801) is missing. Indexed as above.

Custodiam Order Books

contain the Orders granting Custodiams. There is a gap from 1757 to 1763. Indexed in Defendants' names. (*Vide* Pipe Custodiam Orders.)

Custodiam Orders (Chief Remembrancer).

I do not understand the object of keeping this series in addition to the preceding, most of the orders in the two series being the same. These Orders are all on a set printed form, the names of causes, lands granted, &c., being filled in. Indexed alphabetically in names of causes.

Injunction Orders

directed to the Chief Remembrancer to issue Injunctions in Custodiam cases. Indexed as above.

Pipe Orders.

These are labelled simply "Pipe," and contain Copies of Orders relating to matters charged on the Pipe Roll. They consist of two series, one from 1686 to 1773—a gap from 1699 to 1704—and the other from 1792 to 1835, which last series is entitled inside "Orders to Dissolve Cust' and Particular Orders." The period between these series is apparently filled up by the Pipe Discharge and other Orders. Indexed alphabetically in names of causes.

Pipe Custodiam Orders.

These Books are Copies of the Custodiam Order Books (*vide supra*). They are indexed in names of causes.

Pipe Discharge Orders.

These contain the Orders discharging the Sheriffs, Clerks of the Crown and Peace, and Coroners, from the Fines inflicted on them in matters connected with their Office for different delinquencies. They are indexed alphabetically in the names of the persons discharged.

Pipe Reducement Orders

are copies of Orders made by the Commissioners for the Reducement of Fines, &c., entered with the Clerk of the Pipe, the original Orders being made on foot of the Petitions presented to the said Commissioners, Indexed alphabetically in the names of persons whose Fines, &c., have been reduced. (*Vide* Petitions and Orders thereon.)

The above five series of Pipe Orders relate exclusively to charges on the Pipe Roll, and were kept for the use of the Offices of the Pipe. From 1778 they were referred to in these Offices, not according to the series as above, but according to a private office series of letters impressed on the edges of the leaves ; for example :—

A—Pipe Custodiam Orders	.	.	.	1778 to 1780
B—Pipe Discharge Orders	.	.	.	1779 to 1784
C—Pipe Custodiam Orders	.	.	.	1780 to 1782
D—Pipe Custodiam Orders	.	.	.	1782 to 1784
E—Pipe Custodiam Orders	.	.	.	1784 to 1786
F—Pipe Discharge Orders	.	.	.	1784 to 1788
G—Pipe Custodiam Orders	.	.	.	1786 to 1789
H—Pipe Discharge Orders	.	.	.	1788 to 1791
I—Pipe Custodiam Orders	.	.	.	1789 to 1793
K—Pipe Discharge Orders	.	.	.	1790 to 1793
L—Pipe Reducement Orders	.	.	.	1790 to 1793
M—Pipe Orders (second series)	.	.	.	1792 to 1798
				&c., &c.

Port Books.

These were books annually issued from the Chief Remembrancer's Office, sealed with the seal of the Court of Exchequer, for the Customers and Comptrollers of the several ports of the kingdom, on each of which was indorsed "Portus ——. A Blank Booke containing — leaves for the Comptroller of the Port of —, his entry of all goods, wares, and merchandises, as well exported as imported into and out of the said ports and the creeks, members, and places of the same by way of merchandize, A festo Anuntiationis beat' Mar' Virgin,—usq' idem festum ——" In some cases there are duplicates for the same port and year, one signed by the Comptroller, and the other by the Deputy Customer and Collector. They are for the Ports, as under, viz. :—

Carrickfergus, from 1715 to 1718 ; Cork, 1704–59 ; Dingle, 1696–7 ; Drogheda, 1702 ; Dublin, 1710–58 ; Galway, 1697–1704 ; Kinsale, Bantry, and Baltimore, 1634 ; Kinsale, 1671–1755 ; Limerick, 1693–1724 ; Sligo, 1715–20 ; Strangford, 1719–20 ; Waterford, 1755–9 ; Wexford, 1693–1706 ; and Surveyor-General's Port Books, 1709–18.

Recognizance Books

contain the entries of the binding of Sheriffs in the sum of £1,000 before their appointments.

Reducement Books

contain entries of Recognizances reduced and respited, giving parties names and the amount reduced. The entries are numbered consecutively for each Term.

Sheriffs' Accounts, Constats, and Transcripts

contain the full entries of Sheriffs' Accounts, the earlier of which entries are in Latin. Three are gaps from 1602 to 1663, and 1698 to 1706.

Sheriffs' Debets.

The entries in these, which give the dates of the Debet and Acquit-

tance, were made out by the Clerk of the Pipe. There is an Alphabetical Index for each volume.

Sheriffs' Quietus Est

contain a summary of the Sheriffs' Accounts for each county, with the note at foot of each, "Delivered from Court," and the date.

Sheriffs' Tot Books.

These contain the amounts for which the Sheriffs totted (tots, *i.e.*, "Totum in Manibus"), and come down to a later date than 1835, as Sheriffs very often did not pass their accounts till long after their year of office.

Writ Books.

These contain entries kept daily of Writs of Levari. Sci. Fa., Attachment, &c., issued for debts, assignments, and bonds due the Lord the King for the time being, stating whether on Information or otherwise.

Miscellanea.

Under this head I enumerate below a considerable and an interesting series of Records partaking of an historical character, found amongst the Revenue Collection,

Account Books, Officers',	1722-1831
Accounts, Auditors' and Treasurers',	6 Edward VI.
Account Roll,	34-38 Elizabeth.
" " (fragment)	16 Henry III.
Assizes and Sessions, Register of,	1781-96
Attorney, Powers of,	1763-1805
Barnewall, Matthew, Particulars of Lands of county Meath,	1695-6
Benefices, Taxation of,	14 James I.
Bishops' Rents, Book of,	1656
Brodrick, Sir John, Particular of Lands made out for,	1663
Carroll v. Eustace, Copy of all Hearings in the case of,	1698
Certificates of Treasurers' Remembrancer,	1774-9
Chamberlains' Roll,	7 Richard II.
" "	7-8 Edward IV.
" "	14-18 Edward IV.
Christ Church, Petitions to Dean and Chapter of,	1724-30
Circuit Lists,	1796-1815
Clanrickarde Estates, Schedule of part of,	1704
" " Schedule of part of Vested in Queen Anne.	
Clanrickarde's, Earl of, Lands liable to Composition Rents,	1641-74
Commissions, Precedent Book of,	George II.
Compositions of Munster and Connaught,	1573-92
Consents of the Solicitor of the Revenue,	1771-9
Corporations, Appointment of Attorney by,	1687
Court Book, part of,	1628
Court Book (rough),	1829-31
Court of Claims, Book of Orders of,	1654-5
Court of Claims, Book of Orders of (ex parte Rem.)	1658
Custodiam Rents, Entry Book of,	1830-4
Custodiam Roll, county Cork,	1667-73
Customers' Book (damaged) circa,	1672
Custom Cases, Bonds in,	1690-1720
" " Petitions and Orders for new Entries in,	1666-1767

Precedent Books (2).	
Precedent Book,	1764
Pursuivants' Affidavits of rescue,	1793-1818
Pursuivants' Fees, due by Sheriffs,	1794-1806
Pursuivants' List of Tr. Rem. Process,	1683-1804
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Receipt Roll,	23 Edward I.
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Recognizances forfeited,	1788-1821
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Renewals of Treasurers' and Sheriffs' Processes, 1806-20 ;	
and Fee Book of Constables, 1800-20 ; Rough Book	
containing,	
Rent, Book of Arrears of Quit and Crown, Kilkenny and	
Wexford,	1662-83
Rent, Book of Arrears of Quit and Crown,	1663-70
" " " " "	1676-83
" " " " "	1702
Rent, Schedule of Arrears of, Carlow,	1659
Rents, Book of Fee-Farm, due to the Lord Protector,	1656
Rents, Commission to John Latham to collect Crown,	29 Charles II.
Repertory of Communia Enrolments,	1628-86
Repertory of Enrolments (Deeds),	1770-1835
Repertory to Rolls and Inquisitions,	Henry IV. to James I.
Reports (Auditor, Surveyor-General, &c.),	1726-47
Reports from Attorney, Solicitor, Auditor, and Sur-	
veyor-General,	1691-1747
Report (Auditor-General) for Mr. Fielding,	1704-5
Reports and Accounts, Auditor and Surveyor-Generals',	
Reports to Barons,	1676-81
Report (Clerk of the Pipe's) of the Duke of York's	
Custodians,	1677-8
Revenue, Book of,	1592
Rule Book in the Exchequer Chamber,	1675-6
Rules and Practice, Book of, and Rough Note Book, {	June, 1760 ;
	August, 1764
Scire Facias, Lists of,	1796
Sheriffs, Lists of,	1781-1809
Sheriffs who have paid their Tots, Lists of,	1715-89
Sheriffs' Accounts, Book of,	1639-1644
Sheriffs' Accounts, Commissions to take, co. Galway,	1729
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Sheriffs' Accounts, Dates of settling,	1800-35
Sheriffs' Acquittances, Clerk of Pipe's Book of,	1680-94
Sheriffs, Affidavits of,	1826-35
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Sheriffs of Carrickfergus (Certificates of oaths by) that	
they received no Crown Rent,	1724-47
Sheriffs sworn to Account, Chief Remembrancers' Certi-	
ficates of,	1825-35
Sheriffs, Defaulters, Lists of,	1801-35
Sheriffs who have not Accounted, Lists of,	1800-30
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I beg to express my thanks to Messrs. Mills and Berry for the able assistance they afforded me throughout this very tedious and onerous work.

APPENDIX No. 10.

Public Record Office,

Dublin, 29th January, 1869.

SIR,—In prospect of the removal of the Records from the Custom House to the Public Record Office, I beg leave to ask your Honor's attention to the special course of duty observed at the late Landed Estates Record Office at the time of the coming into operation of the Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867, and in which course of practice, pending the removal of the collection, your Honor has not yet seen fit to direct any change.

The special duties in question appear to have devolved on the Landed Estates Record Office as representing the former office of Auditor General.

The office of Auditor General was abolished, and its duties transferred to the Office of Vice-Treasurer by Treasury Minutes of 19th July, 1822, and 14th July, 1825, under the general powers given by Act 3rd, George IV., cap. 56.

The office of Vice-Treasurer was abolished, and its duties transferred to the Office of Paymaster of Civil Services by Treasury Warrant of 15th May, 1837, under Act 6 & 7, William IV., cap. 83.

The Record branch of the Office of Paymaster of Civil Services was converted into the late Landed Estates Record Office by Treasury Minute of 5th February, 1861.

The duties observed in the successive departments consist in making Records and in giving special information to Government Departments and otherwise by way of Reports and Constats.

I. *Making Records.*—In pursuance of a Queen's Letter of 10th Elizabeth, all grants and leases appertaining to the Land Revenue of Ireland, including patents for fairs and markets, were enrolled in the office of Auditor General, and like enrolments have since continued to be made in the several departments representing that office, and are still made by Mr. Day.

The practice has also been to enrol all grants of offices, and to give certificates of the enrolments, which are the Paymasters Generals vouchers to the Exchequer and Audit Office for their payments under the respective grants. This latter class of enrolments appears superfluous, as being merely duplicates of entries on the Rolls of Chancery.

It has also been the practice in every case of the purchase of a Quit or Crown rent, under the Acts 38, George III., and 10, George III., cap. 50, to enter the item of reduction or extinguishment in the Crown rental, which entry is matter of record.

II. *Reports.*—The Officers of the Quit Rent Branch of the Department of Woods and Forests have been in the habit of addressing requisitions to the several officers having custody of the Crown Rentals, desiring to be informed of the title of the Crown to particular hereditaments. In complying with these requisitions, Mr. Hardinge, the late Keeper, and Mr. Day, who, on the 1st January, 1868, became an Officer of this Department, and in whose charge the collection now is, have been in the habit (and that so frequently as to constitute a principal part of their occupation) of furnishing Reports in the nature of statements of title, and in some instances of advising and expressing opinions for the guidance of querists.

III. *Constats.*—"The Constat from the Auditor General of a charge on lands is deemed a sufficient finding of the King's title to supply the want of an office" (1 Howard Eq. Ex. 318). These Constats are still given under the hand of Mr. Day, and are received and acted on by the Landed Estates Court as well as by private parties in matters of title.

The Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867, makes no provision for the discharge of any duty by this Department beyond that of keeping Records and giving certified copies. There does not appear to be any further duty by implication arising on the custody of the Records, save so far as the 10 George IV., cap. 50, s. 70, imposes on the custodees of the Twopenny Books the obligation of receiving and giving certified copies of Conveyances of the Land Revenue.

I respectfully submit to your Honor that steps should be taken to enable the several Public Departments concerned to prepare for the performance of those duties by their own officers, as, after the concentration of the Records here, there will neither be hands nor, as I apprehend, authority for further continuing these services by the Officers of this Department.

I remain,

Your Honor's obedient servant,

(Signed)

SAMUEL FERGUSON,

Deputy Keeper of the Records.

The Right Hon. the Master of the Rolls.

OBSERVATIONS of the RIGHT HON. JOHN E. WALSH, Master of the Rolls, on the foregoing.

I. It appears to me that the Record Office does not represent any branch of the Auditor's Office to which the Queen's Letter (10 Eliz.) refers. Neither enrolments of Crown Grants, nor of leases of lands, nor of patents, nor of grants of offices can be legally made there.

But as regards duplicates of deeds or instruments which are required by the Stat. 10, Geo. IV., c. 50, sects. 70, 71, to be transmitted by the Commissioners of Woods and Forests to remain of record among the original Crown rentals, I see no reason why they should not be still transmitted to the Record Office and entered in a proper index, and certified copies given of them at the rate of fees specified in that Act—and, as I understand the 72nd section of that Act, it dispenses with the necessity of any enrolment or registry elsewhere of deeds which fall within it. So also as regards the books containing entries of receipts of Crown rents in continuation of the "Twopenny Books," they may be returned to this office, which, it appears to me, would be a compliance with the 88th section of 10 George IV., c. 50. A similar direction is found in the prior repealed statutes (*e.g.* 7 & 8, Geo. IV., c. 68, sect. 8), and I presume there is a series of these books which will be transferred to the office. The only difficulty in continuing the return by making it thus arises from its being directed to be "on oath," which the Deputy Keeper could not administer; but whatever officer was in the habit of administering the oath when the returns were made to the former Land Record Office can, I presume, still administer it.

As to rents extinguished or sold under the Stat. 38, Geo. III., c. 72, and the several Acts amending it, up to and including the Stat. 3, Geo. IV., c. 63, the certificates of extinguishments or sales given under these statutes could be enrolled only in the Auditor's Office. I do not think that the Record Office represents that department in any sense which would authorize such enrolments to be now made there. But as all these Acts are repealed by the 1st section of the 7 & 8 Geo. IV., c. 68, and that Act also is repealed by the 10 Geo. IV., c. 50, I do not see how any enrolments can now be required to be made under any of the prior Acts. Copies of the documents directed by these Acts to be enrolled in the Auditor's Office are by them respectively made evidence; but as the collection is now transferred to the new office, there can be no difficulty in giving such copies, which will still be evidence.

II. The course here mentioned, though a very proper one while the Land Record Office existed as a branch of the departments representing the Vice-Treasurer's office, appears to me quite unsuited to the arrangements of the new Record Office. In pursuance of the directions already given (allowing the former practice to be continued until further order), Mr. Day was quite right in discharging these duties for the present, but, in my opinion, they are such as ought not to be undertaken by any officer of the Record Office, and should cease as soon as provision can be made for discontinuing them without inconvenience to the public service. Steps will be immediately taken with this object.

III. The giving of these certificates called "Constats"; is open to a similar objection. The weight formerly attached to them, as being issued by the Auditor-General, cannot attach to them when issued from the Record office. Their value can rest only on the presumed accuracy and care of the officer who gives them in making a search.

Undertaking the responsibility of agents or officers for making such inquiries, appears to me quite foreign to the duties of the Record De-

partment as now constituted. Copies of, or extracts from, the documents on which such certificates are founded, can be given, and every facility should of course, be afforded for finding them. I will communicate with the Judges of the Landed Estates Court, as to what would be the best substitute for the present practice.

APPENDIX No. 11.

Office of Public Works, Dublin,
13th January, 1870.

SIR,—In acknowledging the receipt of your communication of 30th December last, addressed to the Architect, and forwarding the keys of the late Landed Estates Record office, I am directed by the Board to convey to you their marked thanks for your attention in expediting the removal of the documents to the Public Record Repository, and their acknowledgments for affording them so much facility in this matter, which has conducted much to the benefit of the Public Service.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed), E. HORNSBY, Secretary.

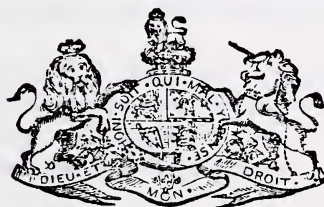
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HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE EARL SPENCER, K.G., LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

In reporting the proceedings had in execution of "The Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," I shall continue to use the nomenclature adopted in my previous Report, of work pending at the close of the past year (*post*, 2), and of work since commenced (*post*, 34), under the heads respectively of extern and intern operations.

The operations in progress at the close of 1869 comprised—

Extern.

1. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Parliamentary Collection from Record Tower, Dublin Castle, *post*, 3, 4.

Intern.

1. Erection of fittings in north-east section of Record Treasury, *post*, 5, 6.

2. Internal arrangements of Record House, *post*, 7.

3. Preparation for intern transfer and deposit of Chancery Records, *post*, 8-13.

4. Preparation for intern transfer and deposit of Chancery Rolls, *post*, 14-17.

5. Disposal of Deeds affecting rights of the Crown, *post*, 18-22.

6. Assortment of Inventions-Patents, *post*, 23.

7. Indexing and Calendaring, *post*, 24-33.

8. The Records deposited in the Record Tower, Dublin Castle, under the care of Sir J. Bernard Burke, C.B., the Keeper of the State Papers, consisted of three principal classes, viz., the Birmingham Tower, the Parliamentary, and the State Paper Collections. The Birmingham Tower Records, consisting chiefly of the more ancient Rolls, judicial and administrative, were removed to this office in 1869. The removal of the Parliamentary Collection has been effected during the year 1870. To prepare the State Paper Collection for removal, an extensive process of arrangement has been undertaken by the Keeper, and is still in progress.

Removal of
Parliamentary
Collection from
Record Tower.

Appendix I.

Some account of this labour, which will afford material for the historical student, will be found in the Keeper's Report for 1869, and I have now the honour to direct your Excellency's attention to Sir J. Bernard Burke's further account of this work of preparation in his Report for the past year, which will be found in the Appendix.

4. The Parliamentary Collections now deposited here comprise the original Statute Rolls, public and private, the draft and fair manuscript copies of the Journals of the Houses of Lords and Commons of Ireland, and the Sessional Papers of both Houses. No improvement can be made in the classification, calendaring or indexing of this important collection, which is all in perfect order; but the pieces will have to undergo, to some extent, a re-formation to adapt them to the change of fittings in their present repository.

Erection of fittings, with

further elimination of combustible material in 3 A, 3 B, 3 C, for Chancery Pleadings;

5. The fittings for the reception of the Chancery Pleadings and Rolls have been continued through bays 3 A, 3 B, and 3 C. The only wood now employed for a tray does not exceed seventy cubic inches, of which about fifteen inches only are exposed. When it is considered that a press-shelf of the old construction, affording less available space, contained upwards of 4,000 cubic inches of wood, it will be seen that the elimination of inflammable material from the new fittings has been carried out to an extreme extent. By the employment of non-ignitable material, such as whale-bone, for the book-supports, the fire-proof character of the process might be rendered absolute; but it is conceived that this portion of the collection is now so effectually placed beyond all possibility of injury from fire that further precaution in this direction would be superfluous.

and for Chancery Rolls, in 3 D.

6. Like fittings have been set up throughout bay 3 D, with the modifications necessary to adapt them to the reception of the Rolls of Chancery.

Internal arrangements of Record House.

Safe-room for Indexes.

7. The internal arrangements of the Record House have been completed. One of the apartments on the eastern side of the Public Room has been rendered fire-proof by the introduction of a concrete ceiling. Here are deposited the Bill Books, which form the only Index to the Pleadings of the Courts of Chancery and Equity Exchequer: these books, being open to the inspection of the public, could not conveniently be deposited in the Treasury, and as their loss by any accident would be almost irremediable, it had from the first establishment of the office been an object to remove them from the Public Room to some place of security accessible from it; but owing to the continued occupation of part of the building for the purposes of the Vice-Chancellor's court and offices, this arrangement could not be earlier effected.

Serialization of the Chancery Pleadings.

8. The process of re-casting the Pleadings of the Court of Chancery into one continuous date-series, begun in the preceding winter, has been carried on without interruption during the year. This arrangement includes the process of re-distributing the several bundles of Pleadings filed by the respective Six Clerks between 1726 and 1837, so as to eliminate the names of the Clerks from the search-indications. It also involves the re-folding of all Pleadings.

as exceeding the regular dimensions, and the making up of the instruments into *fasciculi* of uniform size, labelled in date-sequence, and adjusted to their respective supports. The number of bundles opened and re-cast during the year was 2,006, comprising the series of Answers back to the year 1735.

9. One of the results of this process has been the discovery of a large number of misplaced Pleadings. One hundred and sixteen Bills have been found amongst the Answers so opened during the past year. These records may be regarded as having been practically lost since the time of their first misplacement. In like manner Answers out of place have been found, as well in the Answers bundles of the wrong Six Clerks as amongst the bundles of Bills; and many more of both classes will probably be discovered during the remainder of the operation.

Misplaced
Pleadings
recovered.

10. The number of *fasciculi* made up as described, and deposited during the year 1870, was 16,515, estimated as containing about 110,000 Pleadings, and extending back from the date where the deposit of 1869 left off, to the 10th January, 1759. They are all of the Answer series, and are distinguished by labels printed in red, as the Bills are by labels printed in black. The necessity of substituting a place-docket for each Pleading withdrawn for purposes of search or copying, and of cancelling the docket on the return of the Pleading, will, it is conceived, afford sufficient security against further misplacements until the deposit of the whole collection shall be complete, when a series of current numbers in distinguishing colours may be applied, which will exclude all probability of such losses in the future.

Fasciculi
deposited.

11. In addition to the *fasciculi* so deposited, there were at the close of the year 396 *fasciculi*, containing the series of Answers back to the 15th January, 1757, prepared for deposit. The number of Answers being greater than that of Bills, and the number and bulk of both decreasing rapidly for the period prior to 1750, it may be considered that nearly one half of the Chancery Pleadings Collection was arranged in its final place of deposit in perfect consultable order at the close of the year 1870.

Precautions
against further
misplacements.

12. Besides liability to misplacement, the old method of searching was attended with risk of injury to the Pleadings. Many of these have been found torn, probably from the difficulty of extracting them from their bundles. The repair of these torn Pleadings has proceeded *pari passu* with their deposit.

Repairs of
injured Plead-
ings.

13. The Rolls Collection contained a separate division of Pleadings of unusual size, some of them, when spread out, extending to more than 100 yards in length, called "Long Pleadings." These not being receivable into the ordinary bundles, occupied a separate place in the Rolls Record room, and were searched for by a particular indication in the Bill Books. They have been folded uniformly with the other classes, and cast into the common category, so that one set of search indications now suffices for all Equity Pleadings indifferently. Some of the Answers of this class, with their schedules, constitute several *fasciculi*: in such cases the several books are so attached as to preserve the unity of the Record.

"Long"
Pleadings.

formerly in
separate re-
positories,
cast into the
series.

Intern transfer
and deposit of
Chancery Rolls.

Earlier Rolls in
want of repair.

Precautions
against further
injury.

Rolls fittings.

Adjustment of
larger ribbon

and Book Rolls.

Consequent
economy of
space.

Room for
accruing Rolls.

Deed Rolls of
Chancery.

14. The Close and Patent Rolls of Chancery of earlier date than the reign of James I., being of small size (some of them not exceeding an inch in diameter), had been kept in pigeon-holes in closed presses. These presses, with their contents, were brought to the Record Treasury, and the Rolls in question, 219 in number, continued to occupy their former places in them until the fittings in bay 3 D were sufficiently advanced for their reception. On unrolling them for the purpose of introducing the axes on which they are now suspended, it was found that, owing probably to want of air, the parchment in many of them had become dry and brittle, and that they were generally in want of repair. To have executed these repairs before proceeding with the intern transfer would have involved an inconvenient delay, and it was deemed more advisable to remove them in their existing condition to their places of final deposit, where abundant ventilation exists. Their condition, however, is such that it has been considered unsafe to allow them to be handled by any but officers or servants of the department, until the necessary repairs shall be executed.

15. The fittings designed for the reception of this class of Rolls are divided into vertical spaces of three and a half inches apart. In a few instances, when the diameters of the Rolls exceeded the space so provided, they were reduced by being rolled from both ends. The division allotted to the residue of the Close and Patent Rolls, both of the ribbon and book kind, is arranged in vertical spaces of seven inches apart. When the diameter of any of those of the ribbon kind exceeded that measure, the process of double rolling was resorted to, and was found conveniently applicable. Greater difficulty was experienced in the case of the Book Rolls. When these exceeded the assigned dimensions, the book had to be divided, and the separated portion re-backed and made up as a distinct Roll, with new endorsement and corresponding entries in the several Indexes. Altogether, fifty-seven Rolls had to undergo this latter process, by which means the uniformity of the receptacles has been preserved; and the whole collection of Close and Patent Rolls of Chancery, consisting now of 1,255 Rolls, reduced to a very compact arrangement in 135 trays, occupies one-fourth only of bay 3 D, whereas, in its previous temporary deposit on the shelving of the original fittings, it occupied the whole of one bay and portion of another. In estimating the economy of space thus attained to, it may be considered that every cubic foot of tray-room available for purposes of deposit, excluding the spaces occupied by halls, ambulatories, and means of approach, represents an ultimate outlay of about four shillings. There being in one bay about eighteen hundred cubic feet of such space, a saving of three-fourths represents in money results upwards of £250. Space is left for the probable accretions of a century in continuation. Although these Rolls are now executed in duplicate, their material contents could be supplied from other collections deposited in different parts of the building.

16. The Deed Rolls of Chancery form a separate deposit in the same bay. These being the assurances of title substituted for Fines and Recoveries are Records of the highest importance. They

extend from 31st October, 1834, when the Fines and Recoveries Act came into operation in Ireland, to 1850, and comprise thirty-two Rolls, occupying seven trays. The residue of these Rolls remains at the Record and Writ Offices of the Court of Chancery. Ample room has been provided for these, and the probable accretions, of a century, as they shall be transferred on becoming of the age of twenty years respectively hereafter. They are of the book-roll kind, but, so far, of irregular sizes. The great advantages of uniform size are now fully appreciated at the department in which these Rolls are made up, and care will be taken hereafter in the binding both of these, and of the Patent Rolls, not to exceed the limits of size for which the fittings have been adapted. There are no duplicates of these very precious records. The Book-Roll form is not favourable to the preservation of the writing.

Precautions
for future
uniformity of
size.

17. The Statute Rolls of the Court of Chancery are also destined for deposit in the same bay, and were in process of being placed at the close of the year. These Rolls contain the transcripts of the Public and Private Acts of the Parliament of Ireland. The Acts themselves constitute part of the Record Tower collection, deposited in a different part of the building. This being a complete series, the deposit has begun from the latest Roll in date, and is being carried backwards, so that the series may fill a definite space conterminous with the fittings. These Rolls are all of the ribbon kind, and generally in good order. One hundred and eleven Rolls of this series, occupying fourteen trays, were in their places at the close of the year. After the deposit of the entire series, room will remain for the reception of all the other Rolls of Chancery—recognizance, convert, &c., with adequate provision for current accretions.

Statute Rolls
of Chancery.

Deposit com-
menced.

18. The late Landed Estates Record Office was used as a place of deposit for several classes of instruments affecting the rights of the Crown. Of these the principal are Conveyances to Purchasers of Quit and Crown Rents disposed of by the Commissioners of Woods and Forests; conveyances, leases for terms of years, and licences from the Crown, and miscellaneous instruments of title to premises occupied for the purposes of Public Departments, as the Customs, Excise, Post Office, and Board of Public Works.

Deeds affecting
the rights of
the Crown.

Several classes.

19. The two former classes being of uniform size were bound from time to time in volumes of fifties, the accruing series being kept in portfolios. Since the transfer to this office, the cost of binding has been dispensed with, the instruments being well adapted for deposit in trays, similarly to the Chancery Pleadings.

The Quit and
Crown Rent,
and Crown-
grant series,
ready for
deposit.

20. The disposal of the miscellaneous instruments of title has been less easy. These are of various sizes, and were made up in eighty-two bundles, kept in twenty-three drawers. In view of the probability of this office having ultimately to take in very much larger deeds-collections from other over-crowded repositories, it was considered advisable to make trial of the method of tray-deposit in the case of this class of instruments. A space in bay 3 D was allocated for this purpose, and provided with fittings of the same dimensions as those employed for the Chancery Pleadings. The deeds were opened, and re-folded to

Miscellaneous
Public Title
Deeds,

in part arranged
and placed in
tray-deposit.

the prescribed size, and made up into books similarly to the Pleadings. One tray was found capable of receiving forty-five of these *fasciculi*, containing three hundred deeds. The operation of folding and preparing a large collection would involve a considerable expenditure of labour, but the economy of space would much more than countervail that outlay.

Advantages of
uniformity of
size.

21. All expenditure of this nature would be avoided in the future, and the process of transferring the Records to their ultimate place of deposit would be one of the greatest ease and simplicity, if the instruments themselves were of uniform dimensions. Highly beneficial rules for this purpose have been prescribed in respect of large classes of modern Records by the Superior Courts of Law and Equity, and are now in operation; but the system is capable of advantageous expansion, and might be made to comprise almost all instruments of whatever nature destined for ultimate deposit at this office.

Appendix II.

22. Seeing the facility with which such uniformity might be secured in the case of documents prepared for Public Departments, the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls was pleased on my recommendation to issue a memorandum, dated the 7th of May, 1870, for the information of the Solicitors of the several Departments desiring to use the Record Treasury here as a place of deposit for Deeds affecting the rights of the Crown, prescribing the dimensions of all Deeds of that nature to be executed after the 1st of August last; and I have to thank the heads of the several Departments who received his Honor's circular for their obliging co-operation in this desirable measure.

Inventions-
Patents,
in completion
of 1868,
bound.

23. The Assortment of Inventions-Patents has proceeded uninterruptedly. The increments during the last year, so far as they complete the portion of the series up to the end of 1868, have been interpolated into the places reserved for them in the previously unbound bundles for that year. These bundles have been bound uniformly with the earlier portions of the collection, in forty bound volumes of Specifications, and forty volumes of Drawings, comprising 3,999 Specifications, with the corresponding Drawings. It will be borne in mind that the process of patenting an Invention involves several successive stages, which may be extended over a considerable range of time at the discretion of the applicant, so that the preliminary steps alone may be taken in some, where the whole process will have been completed in others. Hence it results that a year's collection cannot in general be made up in a complete form of deposit until about the second year after. The receipts during the year 1870 having completed the volumes for 1868, there remained the rest of the current increment for 1869, 1870, comprising 3,991 Specifications with their Drawings. These have been cast into their series and made ready, as soon as the accruing receipts shall complete the sets, for the process of deposit, now substituted for the former and more expensive process of binding.

Causes of delay
in completion.

Residue of
Patents re-
ceived in 1870
serialized
for future
completion and
tray-deposit.

Indexing and
calendarizing
Chancery
Reports.

24. In indexing and calendarizing, the work in progress at the close of 1869, has been prosecuted in the intervals of other engagements, and is still in progress. The Draft Index to the Chancery

Reports, arranged in years, according to the initial letters of their causes, has been proceeded with as far as the year 1826 of the letter C, and refers to 6,336 Reports. The documents themselves have been numbered according to their years, and placed in dictionary order up to the end of the letter L.

25. The general detailed Index to the Records of the Court of Chancery has been completed to page 602. Chancery
General Index.

26. Fifty-five volumes of the Equity Exchequer Bill Books (1727-1783), which were falling to pieces, have been re-bound. Equity Exche-
quer Bill
Books. In forty-eight of these, paper has been introduced for new Indexes, the old ones being now much torn, and nearly obliterated from constant use. The new Indexes have been transcribed into the volumes for 1782, and for 1779, Easter, to Hilary, 1780. Twenty-five of these volumes, which were more or less torn, have been carefully repaired with transparent paper, and they have all been bound in rough calf, with cloth sides.

27. The maps connected with the Awards of the Equity Exchequer have been cleaned, flattened, and arranged in portfolios; Equity Exche-
quer Maps. and an index has been made to them in the names of their causes.

28. The Draft Index to the Equity Exchequer Decrees has been collated with the originals, and fairly engrossed for public use Equity Exche-
quer Decrees. down to the year 1820.

29. At the time of the termination of the Irish Record Commission, there were in course of preparation several manuscript indexes, the materials of which have been transferred to this office from the Record Tower. These have been carefully examined with a view to ascertain how far they may be utilized in facilitating access to the contents of the unindexed printed calendars and MSS. transcripts left by the Commissioners. Manuscript
materials for
Indexes in the
Irish Record
Commission
Collection.

30. The Calendar to the Patent and Close Rolls of Chancery of the reign of James I., prepared and printed by the Commissioners as far as page 372, and continued to the end of that reign by the late Mr. George Hatchell, was printed without any index, a want that materially detracts from the value of this very useful work. This want has been, in part, supplied by the MS. index prepared by Mr. LeStrange, and copied for this office; but, as the larger land denominations only are included, that index affords only a partial and circuitous key to the information most in request. It is found that the late Commissioners have left the materials in manuscript of a Draft Index Nominum as far as page 102, and a Draft Index Locorum, including all names of places, as far as page 167 of this Calendar, on the same plan as the Index to the first volume of their Calendar of Patent and Close Rolls. There are also like Draft Indexes of names and places to the transcripts of some of the Inquisitions which had been of record with the Chief Remembrancer of the Exchequer, comprising Nos. 1 and 2 of "The County of Connaught;" No. 1 to 61 of the County of Galway in the reign of Elizabeth; and No. 1 to 107 of the County of Galway in the reign of James I. These, although not complete or perfect in themselves, render the transcripts left by the Commissioners somewhat more accessible, but will require careful collation if they be included in a general index to be made public. To what extent
available for
Calendar to
Rolls of
James I.

For transcripts
of Inquisitions
from office of
Chief Remem-
brancer.

Continuation
of Index to
Calendar of
Rolls of
James I. re-
commended,

notwithstanding
defects in
Calendar,

resulting from
want of know-
ledge of the
Irish language.
Precautions to
secure the
necessary
knowledge in
future appoint-
ments.

Calendar of
Disentailing
Deed Rolls.

Work under-
taken in the
year 1870.

31. The continuation of the Index to the Calendar of James I. is a work which I would respectfully submit should be prosecuted with a view to being printed and incorporated with the remaining unbound copies.

32. I make this recommendation, although aware that the names of places in this Calendar (although not practically misleading) cannot, in all instances, be relied on as exact transcripts of the names on the Rolls. On a careful comparison of an average folio (73) with the original, twelve names of places were, in an early examination conducted by Mr. La Touche and Mr. Hennessy, found in a greater or less degree erroneously transcribed, without counting mere misprints. Nevertheless, although the general character of the words has been so far preserved as not to detract appreciably from the working value of the Calendar as a means of reference, the detection of these discrepancies has led to what I trust will prove a beneficial precaution. It appearing that the errors in question had arisen mainly from ignorance of the meanings of the words, as local designations, in the Irish language, it was thought advisable by the Right Honorable the late Master of the Rolls, that, in qualifying for admission to this office, some knowledge of the Irish language—enough, at least, to inform the transcriber of certain laws of orthography, affording a clue to the right reading of ambiguous groups of courthand characters—should be secured in the officers of this department whose duty it is to make and give certified copies of instruments containing such matter. On his Honor's recommendation an elementary knowledge of Irish, to the extent of understanding the rules which govern the composition of nouns in local names, was required as one of the conditions of examination for this office. Since then, a uniform course of examination has been assigned for all departments, in which, of course, this exceptional qualification does not appear; but provision has been made for the acquisition of exceptional branches of knowledge required in particular departments by subsidiary examinations, under which the requisite information in this respect may be secured in future admissions to this branch of the service.

33. The increase of business in the Search Room, and the necessity for the continuous presence there of the officer to whom the continuation of the Calendar of the Disentailing Deed Rolls had been first committed, has caused that work to proceed slowly. It has now been brought down to Deed 1350, enrolled 20th March, 1843.

34. The work undertaken within the year may be arranged as—

Intern.

a. Construction of bays and erection of fittings in north-western section of Record Treasury, *post*, 35, 36.

b. Arrangement of Equity Exchequer Documents out of series, *post*, 37.

Extern.

a. Preparation for the transfer and part removal of the Records in the charge of the Master of the Court of Exchequer, *post*, 38-45.

b. Preparation for transfer and part removal of the Records in the charge of the Master of the Court of Common Pleas, *post*, 46.

c. Preparation for transfer and part removal of the Records in the charge of the Master of the Court of Queen's Bench, *post*, 48-50.

d. Preparation for transfer and part removal of the Records in the charge of the Receiver Master of the Court of Chancery, *post*, 51.

e. Removal of accruing Records from office of Registrar of Court of Chancery, *post*, 52.

f. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Testamentary Collections in the charge of the District Registrars of the Court of Probate at Cavan, Tuam, and Ballina, and in the charge of the Diocesan Registrar for the Diocese of Meath, *post*, 53-67.

35. At the time when the Record building was delivered to the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls for the purposes of the Act, the internal construction of the bays had been carried through six-tenths of the interior only. The remaining space was divided into four vertical sections at each side by iron lattice-bar partitions. During the year 1869 the flooring of perforated iron was introduced into the partitions, so as to complete the frame-work of twenty-four bays at the eastern side. It remained to introduce similar flooring into the corresponding western divisions. This operation was performed in a satisfactory manner during the early part of the past year, and completes the full number of one hundred and twenty bays, accessible from the ground floor and the five tiers of galleries surrounding the hall.

Internal division of Record Treasury into 120 bays, completed by construction of 24 bays in north-west section.

36. The fourth and fifth stages from the ground being those in which the window-space is largest, it was thought desirable to select the fourth floor, comprising 4 R, 4 S, 4 T, and 4 U, for the deposit of the Testamentary Collections, as requiring the greatest amount of light in the process of searching. The fittings for the reception of the Wills, &c., from the District Registries already transferred, were commenced during the winter; and at the close of the year had been completed through one-half of 4 R, affording space estimated for the deposit of about one hundred and fifty thousand testamentary instruments, and about six hundred volumes of Will Books, Act Books, &c.

Four of best lighted bays allotted to Testamentary Collection.

Fittings for wills commenced in 4 R.

37. Amongst the documents of the Equity Exchequer brought from various depositories are several collections still requiring arrangement, before they will be in a condition for introduction among the other parts of the series to which they belong. It was necessary that all should be brought together, and reduced to sizes uniform with the bulks of their respective sets. This labour was undertaken in the spring, and has been continuously in process during the year. The documents, being first cleaned and sorted, have been flattened and folded to uniform sizes, and made up in portfolio-bundles. Eight hundred and eighty-one such pieces, containing about two hundred and eighty thousand separate instruments, have been so arranged. The principal classes are Affidavits, Affidavits of Service, Barons' Reports, Chief Remem-

Arrangement of Equity Exchequer documents out of series commenced,

and still in progress.

brancers' Reports, Consents, Costs, Decrees, copies of, House of Lord's Orders, Injunction Orders, Notes on Hearing, Orders, Petitions, Petitions for Receivers, Reports of Sale, Submissions.

Preparation for transfer and part removal of Records of Court of Exchequer. 38. The preparation of the Records in charge of the Master of the Court of Exchequer was commenced in April last, under the superintendence of Mr. Overend, formerly of the Exchequer Office. It is a large collection, and was distributed through 364 presses in thirteen rooms, including a very complete vaulted record-room, over the arched passage of the eastern quadrangle of the Four Courts. I refer to Mr. Overend's Report of the progress made, which would have comprised the removal as well as the preparation for transfer of the whole collection, but for the circumstance to which I beg leave to solicit your Excellency's particular attention.

Appendix III. Operation not completed, owing to

difficulty as to performance here of duties consequent on removal;

required in course of ancient practice, or by particular statutes.

39. The Act contemplates the removal of all the ultra-vicesimal Records of the several Courts. The arrangements made for transferring the Exchequer and Common Pleas collections would have sufficed to complete their removal during the last autumn; but owing to a difficulty as to the performance here by the Court Officers of certain duties in respect of particular classes of those Records, the operation of removal has been left incomplete.

40. These duties principally affect the Judgment Rolls, and are either at common law, as incident to the ancient course of practice, or statutable. When a judgment has been satisfied, or in part paid, or revived by suggestion, an entry is made on the Roll, of such satisfaction, part payment, or revival, in the ancient regular course of practice. When a judgment has been duly assigned, an entry of such assignment is made upon the Roll, under the 9th Geo. II., c. 3, the officers being bound to see that the requirements of that and the amending Act of the 25th Geo. II., c. 24 have been complied with. Recourse to the Roll must again be had under the Act 11 and 12 Vic., c. 120, in cases of certificates authorizing the Registrar of Judgments to make memoranda of satisfaction, &c., in his books, the Officer examining the Rolls for this purpose having to satisfy himself of the validity of the satisfaction. In these and other similar cases—especially in verifying the title in cases of assignment and satisfaction—repeated access to the Rolls is necessary. Other Rolls and Records require the performance of like duties from time to time.

For which no authority in officers of this department.

Provision made for reception of officers attending on such duties.

41. There being no authority in any of the officers of this Department, to alter a record or to judge of its legal effect or operation, it was foreseen that on the removal of this class of Records last referred to, officers should attend from the several Courts, for the purpose of performing the duties in question, at the Record House, and a suitable apartment was prepared for their reception. With the same view, an order prescribing the duties of the officers of this Department in producing the Records, permitting the necessary entries to be made upon them, and keeping the record of such proceedings, was prepared by the Right Honorable the late Master of the Rolls, but as already reported, that order remained unperfected. The Right Honorable the now Master of the Rolls having resumed the consideration

of these arrangements, and re-considered the form of order for the guidance of this office, was pleased on the 14th of May, 1870, to transmit copies of it to the several learned Judges, with a view to having provision made for the performance here of the duties of entering satisfaction, giving certificates, &c., by the officers, or an officer of the several Courts.

42. No arrangements having been as yet made for the performance of these latter duties, it has appeared to the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls that although inconvenience to this department would arise from a separation of the Records in question, yet that in presence of a more serious inconvenience to the public, it would be inexpedient at present to remove them; and, accordingly, although they have been duly entered, labelled, and marked with their destinations here, they remain in their former repositories. One of the resulting inconveniences is, that large classes of the Records removed are here without any index; the Final Judgment Books which constitute their indexes being also the indexes to the Judgment Rolls, and necessarily remaining with them.

43. In the case of this, as of every other large collection, a chart or plan of the repositories, indicating by numbers the position of the several presses, was prepared as a preliminary step to the transfer. Each piece being labelled with the number of its press and shelf, these plans in effect constitute Records of the local position of the several contents, prior to removal; and in this respect have been found of considerable utility in tracing the new places of deposit of exceptional lots and documents included in larger pieces. They have also served as progressive Records of the work of transfer and removal, the labelled and emptied presses being marked off as the operation proceeded. The Plan of the record repositories of the Court of Exchequer, in the Appendix, is reproduced from the original drafts prepared by Mr. Overend on commencing the work of transfer in those rooms. The tinted portion represents the extent to which the removal of the contents had been effected at the close of the year.

44. In the deposit of this collection, it has been necessary to interpolate in several of the series brought from the office-presses other parts of the same series which had been deposited in the sacks brought from the vaults of Benchers' Building. The contents of 305 of these sacks had been carefully bundled, labelled, and indexed by the late Mr. James Frederick Ferguson, so as to render the task of introducing them into their respective series comparatively easy of accomplishment. But there remain 45 sacks of fragmentary pleadings and documents, the arrangement of which cannot be undertaken until the officers shall be more at leisure. The process of interpolation and supplementing at the close of the year had been effected in the case of 2,122 pieces.

45. Thirty-eight volumes of MS. compilations, by the late Mr. James Frederick Ferguson, supposed to contain, amongst other valuable matter, complete indexes to the Memoranda Rolls, formed part of the collection. On examination, their value appears to

Appendix IV.
In expectation
of arrange-
ments being
made for their
attendance
here.

Arrangements
not having
been made,
Rolls left in
their former
repositories.

Plans pre-
pared showing
progress of
work.

Appendix V.

Deficiencies in
Law Exchequer
series supplied
from sacks
brought from
Benchers'
Building.

Appendix VI. have been over-estimated. The detail of their contents will be found in Mr. Hennessy's Report.

Removal of Records of Court of Common Pleas. 46. The principal repositories of the Court of Common Pleas occupy the floor above those of the Court of Exchequer, and present a like arrangement of a vaulted record room, separated by a corridor from the principal offices. The annexed Plan, reproduced from the original drafts prepared by Mr. Lopdell, exhibits the general arrangement and the extent to which the presses had been cleared at the close of the year.

Contents of vaults of Common Pleas. 47. Besides these repositories, there were two vaults in the basement, and one upper apartment: in the vaults were deposited 160 sacks of other Records of the Court of Common Pleas. These sacks contained about 2,500 bundles belonging to series of which the residues existed in more or less continuous order in the office presses. On their removal it was found necessary to expose them for some time to the open air. The contents were found in some instances altogether decayed, and in many cases injured by damp. Eighty-six of these sacks have been emptied, and their contents, comprising 1,319 bundles, have been catalogued and spread on the temporary flooring of the newly-constructed bays, from which Mr. Mills has begun the process of transferring them to their places in, and supplementary to, the corresponding series. This operation has been facilitated by an Index to the contents, prepared, under the direction of the Master of the Court of Common Pleas, who had caused the contents to be bundled and labelled. At the close of the year, 237 pieces had been interpolated, so completing the continuity of the series deposited from the office presses. The residue belong in general to earlier portions of the several series, but have still to be brought into continuity among themselves. The detail of these operations will be found in the Report of Mr. Mills on the Common Pleas Collection.

In part interpolated in their series. Appendix VIII.

Rolls of the Court of Queen's Bench not removed, 48. The same causes which occasioned the non-removal of the Records remaining in the repositories of the Courts of Exchequer and Common Pleas, have also led to the continuance in their former places of deposit of a large part of the Judgment Rolls of the Court of Queen's Bench. These have been prepared for transfer, and provision has been made here for their reception since the month of May, 1869. In September, 1870, in order to expedite certain internal alterations, a portion of the collection consisting of 336 Case, and 115 Memorial Rolls, was, at the request of the officers in charge, received here on the understanding that such duties as might arise in respect of them, would be performed here by the proper officers provisionally. The class of Records in question does not require any but very rare reference for purposes of this kind.

Part of the Records and Pleadings Collection of the Queen's Bench removed. 49. The same pressure for space which led to the removal of the Case Rolls, induced the officers of this Department to proceed with the removal of the portion of the Records and Pleadings collection of the Court of Queen's Bench, contained in the offices in the western quadrangle, the residue of which are deposited in the dome over the hall of the Four Courts. It had been considered

more expedient to leave the collection in bulk, until the completion of arrangements for performing the duties consequent on removal; but in this, as in other cases, the convenience of the officers in charge has been consulted in preference to the general scheme of removal.

50. The collection so removed comprises 1,415 pieces, and is Appendix IX. fully analysed and described in the detailed report of Mr. Berry, by whom the operation was conducted. I am also indebted to Mr. Berry for Reports on the further transfers effected under his Appendix X. direction from the offices of the Receiver Master, and of the Registrar of the Court of Chancery respectively.

51. The offices and vaults of the Receiver-Master of the Court Equity of Chancery served as one of the five several sets of repositories Exchequer of the scattered Records of the Court of Equity Exchequer. By Records from the transfer and removal effected during the last autumn, the offices and vaults of lately dispersed series have now been substantially re-united and Receiver-Master in Court completed in material, though not yet fully serialized, in this office. of Chancery. The collection includes a considerable mass of Exhibits and documents lodged in Court in the progress of causes which will be dealt with as the like series, coming from the offices of the other Masters of the Court of Chancery. It is observable in these as in the other similar collections, that there rarely exists any indication on books of account, of which there are now several tons weight in the Treasury, to show to whom they belonged or in what cause brought in. No authority exists warranting their destruction; and when it is considered that every cubic foot of space which they occupy, represents a considerable money outlay, the expediency of providing some uniform rule for their labelling on first deposit in Court, and for their return to the depositors on the winding up of the Causes will be apparent.

52. The accretions for the years 1869-70, from the late Registrar's office of the Court of Chancery, have been removed and deposited in continuation of their respective series. The system introduced in a great degree by Lord St. Leonards, of requiring the Records to be written on material of uniform size, capable of being bound in books or portfolios, has given greatly increased facility to the operations of this office, on collections of modern date.

53. The transfer to this office of the Testamentary Records, from The Testamentary series; the Central and District Registries of the Court of Probate, has been entered on and in part completed. The Act vests in the Master of the Rolls, for the purposes of preservation here, all the ultra-vicesimal Records of the Court of Probate, and late Court of Prerogative, and all original Wills of which probate may have been granted for more than twenty years. under "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," Under the conjoint operation of these enactments, all the ultra-vicesimal Records, Books, and Documents in testamentary causes and matters of whatever kind, (except, perhaps, unproved original Wills), appear to be included, and this office became chargeable with their removal and deposit. A further duty is cast on this office, by the prospective operation of section 4 of the Act, which Prospective custody from 1st January, 1871, of vests in the Master of the Rolls for like purposes, the Records of all Courts and offices thereafter ceasing to exist. On the passing

Diocesan, and other ecclesiastical Records, save those relating to Church property during continuance of Church Commission; with further exception of Records of Causes and Matters Matrimonial.

Difficulties of detail arising on the new enactments.

Record Office, during 1870, charged only with Testamentary series,

previously regulated by Probate Act, under which District Registries substituted for Diocesan Registries.

Wills, &c., in Diocesan Registries kept in various modes of deposit, and with more or less care. District Registries the depositories of Diocesan Collections.

of the Irish Church Act, this enactment attached the several Diocesan and Official Ecclesiastical Records, as from the first day of the present year, with the exception of those relating to Church property, which, although destined ultimately to be deposited here, are for the present placed under the control of the Irish Church Commissioners.

54. The range of duty so extended has again undergone a contraction under the provisions of "The Matrimonial Causes and Marriage Laws (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1870," by which (s. 2) all Records, &c. relating to causes matrimonial are to be transmitted from the several Ecclesiastical Courts to the principal registry of the Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters.

55. This tripartite division as to places of deposit, with a subordinate division into ultra-vicesimal and infra-vicesimal, as to the ages of the Records, involves some discrepancies in detail which will render a literal compliance with the directions of the legislature difficult in practice. The same books in many cases contain matter matrimonial and testamentary, and matter infra-vicesimal as well as ultra-vicesimal. In some cases the different classes of entries are not capable of separation; in others the separation would involve the breaking up and rebinding of the volumes: I have no reason however at present to apprehend difficulties so arising which may not be adjusted by mutual arrangement among the several officers charged with the custody, or by exercise of the powers reserved to your Excellency and the Judges by the Irish Records Act, 1867.

56: None of the enactments in question, save those relating to the Testamentary Collections, having been in operation during the past year, it would have been premature, prior to 1871, to take any steps in respect of other than Testamentary Records. The enactments at the time of the coming into operation of the Public Records Act (Ireland), 1867, were governed as to their custody and disposal by the provisions of the Court of Probate Act, 20th & 21st Vic., c. 79. By this enactment the ancient ecclesiastical courts of testamentary jurisdiction was abolished, and new divisions of a civil character, partaking partly of county and partly of barony boundaries, were substituted for the former Diocesan Registries. The Diocesan Registries, as then existing, had themselves been constituted for older and more numerous ecclesiastical divisions of the same nature. Each Diocesan Registry had thus the records of its own administration, subsequent to the passing of the Irish Church Act of 3 & 4 Wm. IV., c. 37, as well as the records of each of its constituent Registries, previous to that date. These Records have been kept according to the course of practice in each diocese, and with different degrees of care, were at the passing of the Probate Act, much wanting in uniformity of arrangement, and were with very different degrees of completeness in themselves.

57. The change from the ecclesiastical to civil divisions effected by the creation of the District Registries of the Court of Probate was accompanied by a transfer of the United Diocesan Records into the custody of the District Registrars. To avoid the inconvenience of dividing the Diocesan collections, these transferred

were made irrespectively of the new divisions, where these Diocesan
 happened to be non-conterminous with the ecclesiastical boun- arrangement
 daries. It has thus happened that in some of the District preserved
 Registries were to be found the earlier Wills made in extern where areas
 alities, while other Wills of inhabitants of the included non-contermi-
 nities, had to be sought for in an adjacent District Registry. Resulting
 anomalies.
 The District Registrars, then, beginning a new administration not
 interminous with either of the preceding, the several collections
 in their new places of deposit have come to comprise a variety of
 arrangements, representing distinct epochs of jurisdiction, and
 affecting three or more several civil and ecclesiastical divisions.

58. To obviate the confusion likely to arise from these diver- Appendix XI.
 nces in the areas of jurisdiction, a map of the District Registries
 of the Court of Probate has been prepared, which shows in dis-
 tinguishing colours the County, Diocesan, and District Registry
 divisions; so that the date and locality being given, the inquirer
 may know under what head of a District Registry or United
 Diocesan or ancient Diocesan Registry, the Record should be
 searched for.

59. It was deemed necessary before entering on a uniform Inspection of
 plan of transfer, that the collections in their respective places of District
 deposit should be inspected, and their bulk, modes of arrangement, Registries,
 and adaptability to the Record Treasury fittings, ascertained. It
 was also desirable to know how far each collection was secured
 from fire, so as to judge of those which it might be expedient to
 move in the first instance. The several District Registrars
 were apprized of the intention to make such inspection by
 circular of the 21st May, 1870.

60. As regards the collections at Londonderry, Belfast, and save London-
 Armagh, it was considered that such inspection, having regard derry, Belfast,
 previous knowledge of their condition, might be deferred, and Armagh.
 the inspection was confined to the Midland, Western, and Collections
 Southern Districts. It was found that in all cases excepting in their
 the Diocese of Meath, the old Diocesan and sub-diocesan proper regis-
 trations of Testamentary Records, with a few exceptions, save in
 had been brought into the new Registries. These exceptions existed case of Diocese
 in the case of mixed documents of the character above adverted to, of Meath;
 which in some cases were retained by the Diocesan Registrars as with excep-
 comprising other Consistorial matter, besides Testamentary. tions, where
 The abolition of the Ecclesiastical Courts has removed this ground entries mixed.
 difficulty, and any outstanding Records of this character will,
 as is expected, be brought in without objection. In the case
 of the District Registry of Mullingar, it appeared that the transfer District
 intended by the Probate Act had not taken place. This arose Registry of
 from the peculiar local situation of the Diocese of Meath, which Mullingar
 the allocation of the District Registries had, so far as it em- alone found
 ployed King's County and Westmeath, been given to the Mullin- without the
 ear Registry; but, so far as it included Meath County, was part earlier Collec-
 the Principal Registry. To have separated the Wills according tions,
 the local residences of the Testators, would have been an owing to
 peculation of great labour and nicety; and to have transferred peculiar posi-
 tion of Meath
 either Registry would have occasioned a more extensive anomaly diocese.

Wills, &c., of
Diocese of
Meath brought
from former
repository at
Navan to
Clongill
Rectory.

than in any of the other cases where that mode of reconciling the divergent areas had been adopted. At Mullingar, according to be found the Testamentary Records for Westmeath and King's County, from 1858 only, those for the previous period well for these counties as for the residue of the Diocese of Meath having remained in the custody of the Diocesan Registrar. The latter had been deposited in the Sessions Court House at Navan until recently, when their longer continuance there being objected to, the Registrar had them removed for preservation to his private residence at Clongill Rectory. With this exception, the intention of the Probate Act appeared to have been substantially carried into execution under regular warrants in the several District Registries.

61. It is unnecessary to particularize the different modes of deposit, indexing, and arrangement, especially in the earlier portions of the collections, in use in the different Registries. The Records found in these repositories fall under the principal heads of—

1. Original Wills, and vouchers for such as have been transmitted to the Central Registry or other lawful place of deposit.
2. Renunciations, Inventories, and Administration Bonds.
3. Act Books, recording grants of Administration and Probate.
4. Will Books, containing transcripts of Probates granted.
5. Citations, Monitions, and other proceedings in Testamentary causes, included under the general head of "Cause Papers."

Wills, &c., in
all the Registries
inspected, found
in consultable
order. Steps taken
to secure future
uniformity.

Intermixed with these, and often inseparable from them, were found matrimonial, baptismal, and miscellaneous matters, and causes ecclesiastical. In all, the Records were found in good present preservation, and consultable order, and capable of being brought into a uniform course of preparation for transfer. The observations made have led to concerted action on the part of the office and the Court of Probate, which will probably result in considerable simplification of future transfers.

Strong rooms
at the several
District
Registries,
save Ballina
and Cavan.

62. Strong rooms exist in Londonderry, Belfast, Armagh, Limerick, Waterford, Cork, and Tuam. Ballina and Cavan alone are unprovided with these necessary places of security. In Tuam, the recent construction of the strong room had not been completed at the time of the removal into their new receptacles of the contents of the presses. It was therefore considered expedient to proceed in the removal of the three last-mentioned collections, and that at Clongill, in the first instance, and without waiting for the erection of any special fittings for their reception.

Removal of
Cavan District
Collection.

63. The Cavan collection includes the Testamentary Records of the Dioceses of Kilmore and Ardagh, which, although ecclesiastically united for a long period, had preserved their separate Registries. It included original Wills from 1682, with Probate Books and Act Books in broken series, from 1693. It was removed to this office on the 12th November, and has been temporarily deposited on the wooden shelving of 4 Q, pending the erection of special iron fittings in 4 R. It had only received

come to the hands of the present Registrar, and bore marks of former exposure to damp.

64. The Testamentary Records of Meath Diocese, preserved at Clongill, under the circumstances above mentioned, were in a state of more completeness. The Wills extended from 1664, and the Will Books, in continuous series, from 1667 to 1858. The last seven years of the series being within the age of twenty years, and the removal of the entire collection being a matter of urgent expediency, the Judge of the Court of Probate, in exercise of the power conferred by the 14th section of the Records Act, requested that the infra-vicesimal portion should be removed to this office, whereupon the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls issued his warrants for the removal of both series respectively, by virtue of which the entire collection was brought from Clongill, and deposited here.

Removal of
the Clongill
Collection,

including the
infra-vicesimal
portion.

65. At Ballina, the collection had but recently come into the hands of the present Registrar. It had previously been in a state of great disorder, and some of the older Wills were considerably injured. These injuries are supposed to have been sustained during the French occupation in 1798, of Killala, where the collection had been originally deposited. The Wills commence from 1698, the Will Books from 1799, and the Grant Books from 1798; but in irregular sequence, and intermixed with various other matter, matrimonial and consistorial. The current Will Book, commencing in 1823, was left in the hands of the Registrar.

Removal of
the Ballina
Collection.

66. At Tuam, the collections for Tuam, Clonfert, and Elphin, were found in good order in separate series, for the respective dioceses. The Wills and Will Books (the latter in imperfect series), commence from 1641. Many of the Records in this collection comprised mixed testamentary, matrimonial, and general consistorial matter. The current Will Book, commencing in 1861, was left in the Registry.

Removal of
the Tuam
Collection.

67. These several collections having been removed to this office were temporarily placed in 4 Q, adjoining to which the fittings for the reception of the general Testamentary Records had been commenced. These fittings were completed through one-half of 4 R, and were in progress throughout 4 R, 4 S, 4 T, 4 U, at the close of the year.

All provision-
ally deposited,
pending com-
pletion of
fittings.

68. The general nature and extent of the collections removed to, and placed in consultable order in the Record Treasury during the year 1870, will appear from the following Table. The quantity of work, of this nature, falls short of that performed in 1869. This is accounted for by the increased work of intern transfer and searching, and by the more desultory course of operation imposed on this office by the delay in arranging for the performance of duties consequent on transfer. In addition to these drawbacks, I have to observe that during the whole of the year, one vacancy, and during the last quarter two vacancies, existed in the staff of the office; and that the practice of allowing gratuities to extern workmen, stated in my former Reports, has been discontinued.

Tabular ab-
stract of pieces
removed.

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	Statute Rolls, Public, . . . rolls,	1,922
	" Private, . . . " . . . "	33
	Sessional Papers, . . . bundles,	1,031
Offices of the COURT of EXCHEQUER.	Connaught Certificates, . . . rolls,	
	Adventurers', . . . " . . . "	
	" " (Repertory), book,	
	Decrees for Innocents, . . . rolls,	
	" " (Repertory), book,	
	The Forty-nine Lots, . . . rolls,	
	Pipe, . . . " . . . "	
	Originalia, . . . " . . . "	
	Memoranda, . . . " . . . "	
	Decree (Continuation of Memoranda Rolls), . . . " . . . "	
	Repertories and Indexes to Mem. and Decree Rolls, books,	
	Communia, . . . rolls,	
	" " (Repty. and Index), books,	
	Inquisitions, . . . portfolios,	
	Repertories and Indexes to Inquisitions in Portfolios, books,	
	Quit-rent Reducements, . . . rolls,	
	Memorial, . . . " . . . "	
	Memorials, . . . bundles,	
	Negative Searches, . . . books,	
	Bail, . . . " . . . "	
	Docket, . . . " . . . "	
	Satisfactions, . . . bundles,	
	" " (Indexes), . . . books,	
	Warrants, . . . bundles,	
	" " . . . books,	
	Inquisitions, . . . bundles,	
	Recognizances, . . . books,	
	Crown Bonds, . . . " . . . "	
	Informations, . . . bundles,	
	Writs of Appraisement, . . . " . . . "	
	Petitions, . . . " . . . "	
	Exemplifications, . . . " . . . "	
	Scire facias, . . . " . . . "	
	Declarations, . . . " . . . "	
	Pleas, . . . " . . . "	
	Posteas, . . . " . . . "	
	Consents, . . . " . . . "	
	Pleadings, . . . " . . . "	

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
Records of the COURT OF EXCHEQUER— <i>con.</i>	Pleadings (Indexes), . . . books,	87
	Executions, . . . bundles,	119
	„ (Indexes), . . . books,	19
	Affidavits Redocketting, . . . bundles,	18
	„ Debt, . . . „	54
	„ in Ejectment, . . . „	105
	„ Common, . . . „	65
	„ of Service, . . . „	202
	„ (Indexes), . . . books,	28
	Cognovits, . . . bundles,	297
	Judgment Pleadings, . . . „	251
	Miscellaneous Rolls, . . . rolls,	25
	„ . . . books,	106
	„ . . . bundles,	133
COURT of COMMON PLEAS,	Judgments, . . . rolls,	451
	Deeds and Recoveries, 1821–1834, . . . rolls,	25
	Remembrance Rolls of Recoveries, „	19
	Indentures of Fines, . . . portfolios,	202
	„ (Duplicates), bundles,	40
	Writs of Covenant, Precipes, and Concords, . . . „	172
	Certificates of Acknowledgments of Deeds, . . . portfolios,	32
	Summaries of Judgments, „	6
	Affidavits, . . . „	38
	Memorials of Assignments of Judgments, . . . bundles,	33
	Memorials of Assignments of Judgments, . . . portfolios,	109
	Memorials of Assignments of Judgments, . . . rolls,	37
	Cognovits, . . . bundles,	306
	Bonds and Warrants of Attorney to satisfy Judgments, „	23
	Warrants of Attorney to confess Judgment, . . . „	24
	Satisfactions, . . . „	38
	Declarations, . . . „	118
	Pleas, . . . „	58
	Copied Pleadings, . . . „	79
	Ejectments, . . . „	131
	Interlocutory Judgments, . . . rolls,	29
	Judgments in Dower &c. (Filazers'), „	2
	Writs of Entry and Warrants of Attorney, . . . bundles,	48
	Quare Impedit Declarations, „	7

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
COURT of COMMON PLEAS —continued.	Quare Impedit Pleas, . . . bundles,	5
	Replications and Pleas, . . . "	1
	Non Pros Judgments, &c., . . . "	5
	" Executions, . . . "	1
	" Affidavits, . . . "	1
	Pleadings of Final Judgments, . . . "	264
	" Ejectments and Scire Facias, . . . "	76
	" Scire Facias and Inquisitions, . . . "	95
	" Issues and Judgments by Default, . . . "	71
	" Issues, . . . "	22
	" Interlocutory Judgments, . . . "	30
	Posteas, "	64
	Posteas and Inquisitions, . . . "	21
	Inquisitions, "	1
	Affidavits (Common), . . . "	187
	" in Ejectment, . . . "	192
	" to ground marked Writs, . . . "	85
	" of Service of Process, . . . "	104
	" in Outlawry, . . . "	20
	" Redocket, . . . "	27
	Writs returned, "	134
	Scire Facias, "	3
	Outlawries, "	20
	Process to outlaw, "	11
	Ca. Sa. to outlaw, "	1
	Exigents, "	22
	Capias Utlagatum, "	56
	Writs of Entry, "	16
	Writs of Dedimus and Warrants of Attorney, . . . "	2
	Writs of Error, "	1
	Records in Error, roll,	1
	Essoigns, bundle,	76
	Venire Facias and Panels, . . . bundles,	20
	Writs and Executions, "	22
	Rule Books, Peremptory, . . . books,	84
	" Judicial, "	62
	Court Books, "	24
	Requisitions for Entry of Rules, bundles,	2
	Consents, "	6
	Notices of Motion, "	1
	Certificates of no Appearance, . . . "	16
	Issues and Verdicts, "	10
	Judges' Fiats, "	

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COURT OF COMMON PLEAS —continued.	Insolvent Papers, . . . bundles,	3
	Rule Books for Insolvent Matters, . . . books,	2
	Counsels' Certificates, . . bundles,	4
	Attorneys' Petitions, . . . "	6
	„ Register, . . . books,	32
	Entries of Attorneys' Apprentices' Indentures, . . . "	1
	Indentures of Apprentices, bundles,	2
	Appearance Bail and Defence Books, . . . books,	102
	Appearances, "	49
	Fines and Applications, . . . "	2
	Submissions and Awards, bundles,	21
	Judges' Reports, "	9
	Requisition to mark Judgment, „	7
	„ to enter Judgment on Cognovit, „	1
	Bills and Writs against Peers, &c., „	12
	Certificates of sum due, . . . "	8
	Office Account, . . . books,	18
	Incidental Expenses, "	117
	Judgment Books, "	44
	„ Interlocutory, "	32
	„ Docket Books, "	33
	Indexes to Recoveries and Deeds, „	26
	„ Fines, "	24
	„ Certificates of acknowledgments, . . . "	2
	Commissioners' Names, "	1
	Receipts for Deeds, "	1
	Pleadings, "	87
	Posteas, "	3
	Index to Warrants of Attorney, Assignments and Satisfactions, "	13
	Index to Consents and Submissions, "	6
	„ (Clerk of Juries), "	3
	„ to Affidavits, "	41
	Writs and Seal Books, "	73
	Outlawry Books, "	33
	Clerks of Errors' Index Book, „	1
	Writs of Entry Book, "	1
	Summons Books, "	2
	Seal Books, "	2
	Miscellaneous, bundles,	10
	„ books,	7
	Attorney Oaths and Others, bundles,	3
	Sacks, sacks,	169

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	<i>Tipperary Records.</i>	
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS —continued.	Writs, Pleadings, &c., . . . bundles,	35
	Records of Recoveries, . . . "	3
	" of Fines, . . . "	2
	Rule Books, . . . books,	25
	Appearances and Entry Books, . . . "	8
	<i>EQUITY EXCHEQUER RECORDS.</i>	
RECEIVER-MASTER'S OFFICE.	Affidavits, . . . bundles,	198
	" of Service, . . . "	64
	Receivers' Accounts, . . . "	43
	" Statements, . . . "	13
	Draft Conveyances, . . . "	16
	Charges and Discharges, . . . "	49
	Cause Papers, . . . "	86
	Reports, . . . "	32
	Depositions, . . . "	21
Vaults, . . .	" (Sealed), . . . sacks,	34
Office, . . .	Cant Books, . . . books,	30
	Ch. & 2nd Rem.s' Summons Books, . . . "	26
	" Entry Books, . . . "	12
	Miscellaneous, . . . "	43
	" . . . bundles,	33
Vaults, . . .	" . . . sacks,	5
	Deeds, . . . boxes,	35
	Estreats, . . . bundles,	63
	Fines and Sheriffs' Accounts, . . . "	18
QUEEN'S BENCH : (Civil Side).	Judgment Rolls (Case), . . . rolls,	336
	Memorial Rolls, . . . "	119
	Warrants to enter Judgment, bundles,	73
	Satisfactions, . . . "	50
	Memorials, . . . "	108
	Affidavits (Common), . . . "	102
	" (Ejectment), . . . "	109
	" (Redocketting), . . . "	17
	Cognovits, . . . "	219
	Indexes to Warrants, . . . vols.	14
	Satisfaction Entry Books, . . . "	11
	Indexes to Affidavits, . . . "	18
	Interlocutory Judgment Books, . . . "	57
	Requisitions, Writs, &c., . . . sacks,	108
	Miscellaneous, . . . bundles,	176

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
RECORD AND WRIT OFFICE.	Accounts (Receivers'), . . . vols.	46
	Attachments, "	2
	Certificates, "	5
	Consents and Consent Motions (Rolls), "	13
	Decrees, "	9
	Deeds Rolls, rolls,	6
	Exceptions, vol.	1
	Hearings Books, vols.	7
	Incumbered Estates, Certificates for sale, "	3
	Motion Books, "	27
	Order (or Full Entry) Books, "	37
	Patent Rolls, rolls,	5
	Petitions, vols.	23
	Petition Hearings (Rolls), "	11
	Reports, "	34
	Rule Books (Side Bar), "	6
DISTRICT REGISTRIES OF COURT OF PROBATE :— Cavan.	Original Wills of Dioceses of Kilmore and Ardagh, bundles,	73
	Inventories, Bonds, Renunciations, &c., "	37
	Will Books, Grant Books, Indexes, &c., vols.	17
Ballina,	Original Wills of Dioceses of Killala and Achonry, . bundles,	38
	Inventories, Bonds, Renunciations, &c., "	20
	Will Books, Grant Books, Index Book, vols.	4
Tuam,	Original Wills of Tuam Diocese, bundles,	34
	Inventories, Renunciations, &c., "	30
	Will Books, Grant Books, and Indexes, vols.	10
	Original Wills, Diocese of Clonfert, bundles,	14
	Inventories, Renunciations, &c., "	17
	Registry Book and Index, vols.	2
	Original Wills, Diocese of Elphin, bundles,	27
	Inventories, Renunciations, &c., "	30

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DISTRICT REGISTRIES— <i>continued.</i>	Original Wills, Diocese of Meath, bundles	22
Clongill, Navan, .	Index, vol.	1
	Unproved Wills, Diocese of Meath, and Index, . . . bundle,	1
	Documents in Intestacy (without Index), "	1
	Will Books, Court Books, Note Books, &c., vols.	19
	Mixed Administrations and Marriage Licences, vol.	1
		15,277

69. I append a similar table of the number of pieces deposited, in the way of intern transfer, during the past year:—

Late place in Record Treasury.	Description of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
2 M, 2 N, 2 O, 2 P, 3 M, } 3 N, 3 O, 3 P. }	Answers in Chancery, <i>fasciculi</i> ,	16,515
2 L, 3 L, }	Rolls, Close and Patent,	1,255
	„ Deed,	32
	„ Statute,	111
	Public Title-deeds, <i>fasciculi</i> ,	45
	(Transfers from sacks included in first table.)	
		17,958

70. I annex, as in my former Reports, a printed diagram, representing the lower part of the Record Treasury in plan, and the north and south sides of the upper hall in section. The work completed up to the beginning of 1870 is shown in black; the work performed during 1870 in red ink. A reference to the corresponding diagram for 1869 will show the general nature of the internal changes which have taken place during the past year.

71. The fees received in the Search and Transcribing Department of the office during the year 1870 amount to £281 17s. 6d. The details of the work appear by the annexed Table, the charges at 1s. per folio, indicating the transcription of documents of dates prior to the reign of George III. It will be seen that while the amount of transcription has not been so great as in 1869, the number of inspections shows a considerable increase, due to the influx of new classes of documents.

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STATE OF BAYS
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EAST AND WEST SIDES OF RECORD TREASURY,
31st DECEMBER, 1870.

STATE OF BAYS ON WEST SIDE OF RECORD TREASURY, 31st December, 1870.

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5 L Chancery. Depositions-in-Chief	5 ME Do.	5 N Do.	5 O Record Tower. Parliamentary Collection.	5 P Chancery. Ancient Pleadings to A.D. 1624.	5 Q Do.	5 R do.	5 S do.	5 T do.	5 U do.		
4 L Chancery. Statute Rolls. Transmisses.	4 ME Chancery. Ancient Pleadings. 1624-1665. Bills & Answers. 1665-1686.	4 N Chancery. Bills & Answers. 1687-1716.	4 O Chancery. Bills & Answers. 1716-1735.	4 P Chancery. Bills & Answers. 1735-1750.	4 Q Court of Probate District Registries. Cavan, Ballina, Tuam, Meath.	4 R Fitted up for Testamentary Collection.	4 S do.	4 T do.	4 U do.		
3 L Chancery. Patent Rolls. Deed " Statute " &c.	3 ME Chancery. Bills. 1760-1765.	3 N Chancery. Bills. 1765-1778.	3 O Chancery. Bills. 1778-1790.	3 P Chancery. Bills. 1790-1802.	3 Q Chancery. Recognizances.	3 R Common Pleas Sacks.	3 S Common Pleas Sacks.	3 T Common Pleas Sacks.	3 U Common Pleas Sacks.		
2 L Chancery. Offices of Receiver-Master.	2 ME Chancery. Bills. 1802-1814.	2 N Chancery. Bills. 1814-1826.	2 O Chancery. Bills. 1826-1837.	2 P Chancery. Bills. 1837-1860.	2 Q Chancery. Inquisitions. Long Pleadings. Tipperary Pleadings. Record Tower Pipe Rolls.	2 R Vacant.	2 S Common Pleas Sacks.	2 T Vacant.	2 U Vacant.		
1 L Chancery. Plants for Letters Patent.	1 ME	1 N	1 O	1 P Chancery. Inventions' Patents to 1868. 1868, 1869, 1870.	1 Q Chancery. Commissions. Hanaper Office Collection. Record Tower. Record Commission Collection.	1 R do.	1 S Vacant.	1 T do.	1 U do.		
1 L Crown and Hanaper. Sacks. Custom House. Census, 1851.	1 ME Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Census, 1851.	1 N Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Census, 1851. Agricultural Returns, 1847.	1 O Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Agricultural Returns, 1847-1855.	1 P Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Agricultural Returns, 1855-1868.	1 Q Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Agricultural Returns, 1868. Exchequer Vouchers, 1601-1745.	1 R Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Exchequer Vouchers, 1745-1818.	1 S Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Exchequer Vouchers, 1818-1857.	1 T Custom House. Imprest Accounts.	1 U Fitted up with Presses.		

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72. The literary inquiries during the year embraced :—Docu- Literary
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Donations.

I have to acknowledge the following donations during the year 1870, to the Department :—

From the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury—

Transcripts of Carte Papers. Three volumes.

National MSS. of Scotland, Part II.

From the Master of the Rolls, England :—

232 volumes of Record Publications.

73. The office of Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, vacated by the demise of the Right Honorable John Edward Walsh, was filled by the appointment of the Right Honorable Edward Sullivan, to the office of Master of the Rolls in Ireland, on the 12th January, 1870.

74. I beg leave to express my continuing obligations to the Commissioners of Public Works, and their Architect, and my satisfaction generally, in the zeal and assiduity of the officers of this Department.

All which is humbly submitted to your Excellency.

Dated at the Public Record Office
of Ireland, Four Courts, Dublin,
this 15th day of March, 1871.

(Signed),

SAMUEL FERGUSON,

Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland.

I humbly certify to your Excellency, that this Report is made by the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, under my direction, pursuant to the Statute.

(Signed),

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX 1.

To the RIGHT HONORABLE the MASTER of the ROLLS.—The THIRD REPORT of SIR JOHN BERNARD BURKE, C.B., ULSTER, KEEPER of the STATE PAPERS in the RECORD TOWER, DUBLIN CASTLE, dated 1st February, 1871.

SIR,—I proceed to place before your Honor my annual statement of the work that has been done in this Department during the past year, from 1st February, 1870, the date of my second Report.

I will classify my remarks under the three divisions observed in that Report, viz. :—

1. Transfer of documents.
2. Reception of State Papers.
3. Arrangement, classification, indexing, &c., of the State Paper Department.

I.—TRANSFER OF DOCUMENTS.

1. The PARLIAMENTARY RECORDS contained in "Parliamentary Record Room," described as "No. V" in the Record Commissioners' printed Report, have been transferred to the Public Record Office.

This collection comprises 149 volumes of original fair manuscript copies of Journals of the Houses of Lords and Commons, 1,992 Original Statute Rolls (Public), commencing 1634, and ending 1800, and 331 original Statute Rolls (Private), commencing 1660 and ending 1800.

Before these documents were transferred they were arranged, papered, labelled, and adjusted to the spaces in the Record Treasury, Public Record Office.

2. The PARLIAMENTARY RECORDS contained in "Parliamentary Record Office," described as "No. 6" in the Record Commissioners' printed Report, have also been transferred. This collection comprises 1,635 bundles of Accounts, Appeals, Bills, Public and Private, Committee Books and Papers, Original Journals of the House of Parliament, Oaths and Declarations, Orders, Patents and Grants, Claims to Peerages, &c., Petitions, Proclamations, Reports, Returns, Suffering Loyalists' Books, &c., and various other subjects of public interest. These documents have been arranged, labelled, adjusted to the spaces in the Record Treasury, and removed to the Public Record Office.

II.—THE RECEPTION OF STATE PAPERS.

1. A quantity of MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS, as well as some MS. Books of Entries, have been transferred to this Department from the Council Office.

The Papers principally consist of Miscellaneous Letters, 1839 to 1852 (with the exception of 1851, not included), of Unions of Parishes, &c., Lists of Fees of various years, Quarantine Papers, Returns to Orders of Parliament, &c., &c.

The Books are chiefly Money Warrants, Entries, &c. One, however, is entitled a "List of persons professing the Popish Religion who have taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, 1775."

This mass of documents has been papered, endorsed, and placed in presses preparatory to being carefully examined, classified, and catalogued.

III.—ARRANGEMENT, CLASSIFICATION, INDEXING, &c., OF STATE PAPERS DEPARTMENT.

1. A CHRONOLOGICAL SERIES OF KINGS' AND QUEENS' LETTERS has been formed. These important Letters were found in this Tower, deposited amongst the masses of documents herein deposited, and have been supplemented by additions from the Chief Secretary's Office. These Royal Letters, heretofore scattered about, useless for reference, and unavailable for public purposes, are now for the first time brought together. They have been repaired, arranged chronologically, numbered, placed in cartons, and carefully catalogued and indexed. The series extends to more than 6,000 Royal Letters, commencing in the year 1649, and ending in the year 1852. Previously to the year 1697 the Letters are few, but from the latter date (1697) the series appears to be continuous.

These documents form a most important body of State Papers for public, historical, genealogical, and other purposes.

The first of what may be considered the continuous series of Royal Letters is a Letter of the King's, dated at Kensington, 22nd April, 1697 (Carton 159, No. 11), granting a free pardon to James [Power] Earl of Tyrone, grounded on the Report of the Attorney-General (dated 21st May, 1696), on the Earl's petition. The Report finds that His Majesty, on the Earl's coming over to His Majesty at the surrender of Waterford, had promised him a pardon, and that the Earl is a Protestant, not indicted or outlawed, and then (A.D. 1696) Governor of the county and city of Waterford. The Report further sets forth two certificates, dated 4th October, 1690—one, of the Bishop and Dean of Waterford, the Mayor and Corporation, and several gentlemen of the county of Waterford, testifying to the Earl's kindness during King James's Government; the other, of the magistrates, clergy, and gentry of the city and its neighbourhood, dated 18th November, 1693. Also the Duke of Ormonde's Letter, stating that the Earl, at the surrender of Waterford, quitted the enemy, and came over to His Majesty, though his father and regiment went to Cork and continued in King James's service; that the Earl was forced into that service by the severity of his father, but always had an inclination to desert them.

The next Royal Letter is one dated 23rd April, 1697 (carton 152, No. 12), granting William Spencer [grandson of Edmund Spenser, the poet] the forfeited estate of Hugolin Spencer [another grandson of the poet's], outlawed for high treason, to whom the petitioner was next Protestant heir.

A few numbers on is a Royal Letter, dated from Loo, 25th September, 1697 (Carton 159, No. 15), granting to William [Bentinck] Earl of Portland, the forfeited estate of Donogh, late Earl of Clancarty, reserving a portion of the revenues to the Countess Dowager of Clancarty, and Margaret Countess of Fingall [the Earl's aunt], for their lives.

These extracts from a few of the early Letters are characteristic of this portion of the series. In later years the Royal Letters refer more

especially to appointments, ecclesiastical, legal, and civil ; creations of Peers, Baronets, and Knights of St. Patrick, changes of name, appointments of Bishops, Deans, &c. ; charters of incorporation to various institutions and societies, pensions, pardons, grants of præ-audience at the Bar, inventions, &c., &c.

The whole collection being now easy of reference, will, I have no doubt, prove of considerable advantage to the public.

2. THE CALENDAR OF THE BRITISH DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE, being the correspondence of the Departments in England with the Lord Lieutenant's and Chief Secretary's Departments in Ireland, commencing in 1683, to which I referred in my last Report as having been continued to the year 1721, has during the past year been carried down to the end of the year 1727 ; and a portion of it, 1712 and 1713, has been fair-transcribed, which completes the first Volume of this Calendar.

3. A COMPREHENSIVE INDEX to the Council Books of the Commonwealth, a list of which was appended to my second Report, has been begun, and will, when completed, render the collection much more available for general reference. I have recently discovered among the State Papers a volume of this series entitled " Money Issues, 1656-57," and marked " A 23" by the Record Commissioners, which was missing at the date of my last Report.

The whole series of the Books of the Commonwealth and the Books of Entries (Miscellaneous) of Charles I., Charles II., James II., and William and Mary, comprises seventy volumes.

4. LICENCES TO CARRY ARMS, 1692-1780, have been arranged and placed in a carton.

5. LISTS AND RETURNS, MISCELLANEOUS, 1626-1813, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

6. MAGISTRATES ELECTIONS, CERTIFICATES, and other papers connected therewith, 1711-1816, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

7. MEMORANDA, &c., MISCELLANEOUS, 1685-1815, have been arranged and placed in a carton.

8. ORDERS OF THE IRISH PARLIAMENT, 1705-1799, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

9. PETITIONS, MISCELLANEOUS, and other papers connected therewith have been arranged and placed in cartons.

10. PRISONERS' CERTIFICATES and other papers respecting them, 1702-1789, have been arranged and placed in cartons.

11. RACE COURSES' PAPERS, 1712-1777, have been arranged and placed in a carton.

12. REVENUE CORRESPONDENCE, 1701-1800, has been arranged and placed in cartons.

13. SALVAGE CLAIMS, 1783-1804, have been arranged and placed in a carton.

14. SHERIFFS' NOMINATIONS, 1701-1764, have been arranged and placed in a carton.

15. SPECIAL STATE PAPERS, 1702-1797, have been arranged and placed in a carton.

Besides the foregoing Documents, the following, being unsuitable for the cartons, have been papered and indorsed, and are now ready for transfer to the Public Record Office, viz. :—

1. ROUTES, MILITARY, 1727-1764.

2. ACCOUNTS OF PRINTING AND STATIONERY, 1702-1793.

3. TRADESMEN'S ACCOUNTS, and other papers connected therewith, 1702-1795.

4. DRAFTS OF LETTERS OF IRISH PARLIAMENT, transmitting Bills to England, 1725-1800.

5. HEADS OF BILLS OF IRISH PARLIAMENT, 1711-1782.
6. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS RESPECTING BILLS, &c., of Irish Parliament.
7. TRANSMISSES OF BILLS OF IRISH PARLIAMENT, 1753-1780.
8. ACCOUNTS OF PUBLIC WORKS, STATE MESSENGERS, &c.

Your Honor will perceive, from the foregoing report, that I have this year completed, as required by the Public Record (Ireland) Act, 1867, the transfer to the Public Record Office of the contents of the three depositories, viz. :—

- I. THE BIRMINGHAM TOWER RECORD ROOM.
- II. THE PARLIAMENTARY RECORD ROOM, No. V., AND THE PARLIAMENTARY RECORD OFFICE, No. 6.
- III. RECORD COMMISSION DEPARTMENT.

The transferring of these Records was greatly facilitated by the arrangements made for the reception of the documents at the Public Record Office by Dr. Ferguson and by a system of Transfer Books he has designed.

Having thus accomplished the removal of the contents of these depositories, I will add a few general remarks with reference to the State Papers.

THE CARTON SYSTEM, as applied to the proper keeping of these important papers, has to the fullest extent answered expectations. By it I have been enabled to remove the documents from darksome recesses, where they were kept tied up in dirty and inconvenient bundles, and to place them in layers in chronological series—each paper numbered in the cartons, and each carton having also its own proper number. By this means the several documents are readily accessible, and having been thoroughly cleaned and dusted, will be for the future kept in good and safe condition.

The Kings' and Queens' Letters, which I have already described, fill forty-two cartons.

Carrying out this system I have had the room No. V. (lately used for the Parliamentary Records), re-adjusted for the reception of cartons, in which I am now arranging a very important collection of miscellaneous State Papers, heretofore placed in parcels, four rows deep, most inconvenient for reference. When the classification in the cartons is accomplished, this inconvenience will be wholly removed, and easy access afforded.

This collection concerns the late and present centuries, and contains a vast number of papers of the greatest importance, referring as they do to almost every subject of public interest.

Another work of importance—the Cataloguing and Calendaring the State Papers—has occupied much of my attention during the past two years, and the first folio volume of the Calendars begun in 1868, is now completed. It comprises—

- A CALENDAR OF CHURCH PAPERS, MISCELLANEOUS, together with an Index of names ; and also
- A CALENDAR OF THE BRITISH DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE, beginning with a letter of the Duke of Ormonde, dated 3rd of March, 1683/4 [*Carton 2, No. 1*], and ending with a letter of Edward Southwell to Joshua Dawson, dated London, 23rd March, 1713/14 [*Carton 6, No. 2,104*].

In this collection will be found letters from James, second Duke of Ormonde ; Francis Gwyn ; Right Hon. Edward Southwell, Secretary of State for Ireland ; Sir William Robinson, bart. ; Henry St. John.

Viscount Bolingbroke ; the Lord Treasurer Godolphin ; the great Duke of Marlborough ; Brigadier Cadogan ; Laurence Hyde, Earl of Rochester ; Isreal Fielding ; Richard Powys ; Sir Stephen Fox ; Sir Cyril Wyche ; Charles, Earl of Sunderland ; Thomas, Earl of Pembroke ; George Dodington ; Right Hon. Joseph Addison ; Robert Harley, Earl of Oxford ; Sir John Stanley ; Brinsley Butler ; Samuel Dopping ; J. Pulteney ; Agmondisham Vesey, &c., &c.

Many of these letters, though written on public affairs, have the character of private correspondence, for they deal fully as much with the ordinary occurrences of the day as with public business. The correspondence between the Right Hon. Edward Southwell, Secretary of State, and Joshua Dawson, Secretary to the Lords Justices, is continued throughout many years, and contains some very interesting public intelligence, and a great number of traits of social life and manners. The same remark applies to the correspondence of Mr. J. Pulteney, Mr. George Dodington, Mr. Brinsley Butler, and Mr. Dering.

Throughout the correspondence there are continued references to and description of the events of the wars in Flanders and Spain.

Edward Southwell when re-building the house at Kingsweston, in Gloucestershire (purchased by his father, Sir Richard Southwell, about the year 1680), after the plans and under the inspection of Vanbrugh, writes frequently to Joshua Dawson, who had been some time before engaged upon his Mansion House in Dawson-street, since occupied as the residence of the Lord Mayor of Dublin.

From the following letter of Edward Southwell, dated 5th March, 1712/13 [*Carton 6, No. 1,870*], it would appear that Mr. Dawson's house was amongst the first to bring the south side of Dublin into fashion. "I am very glad" (says Mr. Southwell) "to see your side of the water begin to take ; and if you have so fundamental a reason as a dry foundation, you certainly must carry it if you could add the conveniency of a wooden bridge at Vanhumrys [*Ferry, qq.*] for coaches to go over ; it would carry everything to your [*side*]." In the same letter is the following passage :—"I am solicited by the Elector Palatine's Minister for a pair of moose deer's horns for the Elector ; and I wish I knew where to get them, I would willingly pay for them."

Several of the letters refer to the obtaining of French wine from Dublin. French wine imported into Ireland seems to have been an object of great desire amongst the official persons in England, and there are constant requests from Addison, Francis Gwyn, and others to Mr. Joshua Dawson to contrive to send hogsheads of it to England—Irish usquebaugh was also in requisition.

In a letter of Mr. Pulteney to Joshua Dawson (dated 16 September, 1712) [*Carton 6, No. 1,763*]. He informs him that fifty bottles of Irish usquebaugh are required for a friend of his at the Court of Denmark, who sends £20 to be laid out in the purchase. If it cost less (and the best as I am informed are sold for six shillings per bottle), you are to buy as many more bottles as shall come within that sum of £20, to be consigned to Hamburg, Elsinor, or Copenhagen. Enclosed in this letter is a scrap of paper with the following words :—"The William of Dublin, George Russell, master, for Hamburg, shipped five dozen and four bottles of usquebaugh on board y^e above ship, and consigned to Mr. Charles Gore, merchant in Hamburg, for Daniel Pulteney, esq., Envoy to Denmarke, this 27 November, 1712."

The following extracts from this volume of the Calendar will explain not only the system of the Calendaring, but also the nature of the documents.

EXTRACTS FROM CALENDAR NOW IN PROGRESS.

- Carton 2, No. 184.—Duke of Ormonde to Lords Justices.*—Designs in France as to invasion of Scotland or Ireland—Privateers taken by the Seafort—Trim prisoners to be reprieved and transported—Great number of privateers on the western coast: Admiralty's precautions: negligence of the "Feversham"—Half-pay officers—Charges of Parliament not fully set forth—Embarkation of clothing. } London, 2 May, 1704.
- Carton 2, No. 206.—Sir William Robinson to Mr. Dawson.*—Refers to his not having been lately with Sir John Temple—Still declines to pay the charge of £12 16s. for the postage of Van Homrigh's book—Complains that Lord Walden has been disobliged by the frigate's not being sent to receive him, and that "our mighty speaker and Lord Blessedtown" have been given the warrant instead. } London, 24 June, 1704.
- Carton 2, No. 210.—Sir William Robinson to Joshua Dawson.*—The book of Van Homrigh released from Post-house for moiety of the demand—Irish Accounts—Disinclination of "people of money to meddle with any security in Ireland, especially towards Ulster, it being, as they say, too nere Scotland"—Sir William's approaching visit to "Que" [Kew]. } London, 4 July, 1704.
- Carton 2, No. 287.—R. Warre to Joshua Dawson.*—Encloses letter from Lisbon; no news received from Gibraltar—English troops preparing to march into Alentigo—Dutch letters give accounts from Paris, which confirm the success before Gibraltar in the action of the 17th, wherein the French and Spaniards were repulsed with very great loss, and further that there was a report in Paris that the siege was raised.—No progress made by the French before Verrue. } Whitehall, 1 March, 1704-5.
- Carton 3, No. 336.—J. Burchett to Joshua Dawson.*—Convoy asked for the Unity Flyboat laden with stores for Her Majesty's naval service from Milford to Kinsale; afterwards from Kinsale to Dublin, where "she is to go for a lading of black Irish marble for St. Paul's Cathedral," and finally back to Milford or Bristole. } Admiralty Office, 25 August, 1705.
- Carton 3, No. 391.—Duke of Ormonde to Lords Justices.*—Death of Lord Ch. Baron Donellan: The Lord Treasurer leaves the new appointment entirely to the Duke; the Duke's suggestion thereon: Baron Echlin too infirm of body: Mr. Attorney-General having a great estate and married into a titled family, might accept the title of Baron and Peer of Ireland, but if not he cannot be refused the vacancy, and then Sir R. Levinge would be Attorney-General, and Mr. Bernard Solicitor-General; a favour might be done to Baron Echlin's son: Mr. Keightly to act in the matter confidentially and intermediately. } London, 3 January, 1705.
- Carton 3, No. 562.—R. Powys to Joshua Dawson.*—Warrant ordered to be prepared as to a matter between the Countess of Dorchester and Lady Russell, as to their several Letters Patents as "Lady Russell is too powerful a Teizer" to be delayed—Memorial of his Grace [Duke of Ormonde] to be referred to Commissioners of the Revenue, desiring his contract of £3,500 a year for the Butlerage to be made up fifteen years—Union passed the Scotch Parliament. } Whitehall, 23 Jan., 1706-7.

Carton 3, No. 600.—R. Powys to Joshua Dawson.—Refers to a subject on which Mr. Southwell having offered a letter of the Lords Justices to the Duke of Ormonde, his Grace said it would be time enough for doing "that matter" when he was in Dublin: surprised at Mr. Southwell's hesitation on this affair: Neither his Grace ("great a general as he is") or Mr. Southwell, nor the Lords Justices "had courage enough to attack soe formidable an enemy as my Lady Dorchester."

Whitehall,
20 March,
1704-7.

Carton 3, No. 780.—Sir W. Robinson to Joshua Dawson.—(Seal, a chev.: between three bucks trippant. Crest, a stag's head erased)—Lord Ranelagh's thanks—Downfall of Vanburgh, the banker, in London—The Upper House and the Commons engaged with Lord Peterborough's business: "some people of opinion that my lord is like to have but y^e second best, as any may judge when they say that Spaine was rather lost by the transactions of 1706 rather than in 1707: that party called the Whiggs are his enemies, and the other party his friends: there's a paradox for you and your Royal Society to unfold."

London, 17
January,
1707-8.

Carton 3, No. 796.—B. Butler to Joshua Dawson.—Alterations at Court: the chief manager thereof, Mr. Secretary Harley: "it was some time before the Duke of Marlborough got the better of him" . . . "'tis sayd her Majesty is very uneasy, and that her indisposition proceeds more from her minde than body"—Details of the ministerial changes: Harley will come into play again before long, "for the elections will certainly be more with the Torys than Whiggs."—Mr. Escourt's play—Her Majesty's birth-day celebrated with more pomp at the Castle of Dublin than in London—Ministerial surmises—"There is a story in town, how true I can't tell, you shall have it; that at the councill, when Ld. Marl [borough] sayd he could not serve any longer, severall of the lords gave their opinions that if my ld. layd down his commission, that we had none able to command the forces, nor none that had such interest with they allies as his Grace, on which Lord Wharton shud say that he thought there was one as able and every way as well qualified to head the English army, and one who he thought should be better known to the English, and that he was not ashamed to name him, which was the Elector of Hanover: this they say made everybody there mure."

London, 14
February,
1707-8.

Carton 4, No. 863.—George Dodington to John Pratt.—Details of the battle of Oudenarde, with "some circumstances of this truly great and glorious victory, which are not in the prints, but are such as I have very good authority for"—Captain William Maritt, a French pensioner, to be one of the captains to serve in y^e Spanish establishment.

6 July,
1708.

Carton 4, No. 936.—Charles Dering to Joshua Dawson.—Death of the Prince [George of Denmark]—Particulars of his dying moments; "dyed in his chair; his face as black as a sloch two hours before he expired: the Queen upon her knees kissing his hand till she was put away, a quarter of an hour before his death by Lady Marlborough and Admiral Churchill into another room, that she might nott see him"

breath his last, and when he was actually dead they carried her down the back stairs, and putt her into Lady Marlborough's coach, the Duchess and Lady Hyde with her, and brought Her Ma^y to St. James's: H. M. has been mighty averse to the opening his body, butt the physicians assuring her that he could not keep without it she has at last consented to it"—Mr. Pulteney and allowance to Mr. Dawson his deputy—Squire Palmer.

London, 23
October,
1708.

Carton 5, No. 1,478.—Edward Southwell to Joshua Dawson.—Guiscard's attempted assassination of Mr. Harley: This being the inauguration day there was a great deal of company at Court: the Queen had a touch of the gout, and did not see the company, only her own servants: Monsr. Guiscard, who was present, having been arrested, it is supposed for correspondence with France, drew a penknife and stabbed Mr. Harley; it pleased God that it hit against the middle bone of his stomach, so that the penknife broke short off, and left the piece in; the Lords drew their swords, and Mr. St. Johns "run him into the belly," and the Duke of Newcastle gave him another wound: Guiscard, who owns he meant the stroke for Mr. St. John, and is sorry it happened to Mr. Harley, is sent to Newgate.

London, 8
March,
1710-11

Carton 5, No. 1,601.—J. Williams to Joshua Dawson.—Prince Eugene arrived here on Saturday, and had on Sunday a private audience: our Court bent and resolved on a peace; believes it is out of the power of Prince Eugene, even with the Emperor's interest, to persuade Her Majesty to carry on the war, especially since Spain or any part of it seems so irretrievable by any other means than by a treaty—The "D. of M." in disgrace: is informed that the Elector of Hanover is to command the forces in Flanders; if so, it is hoped the Whigs will be contented, since they grumble much at the thoughts of the D. of Ormonde being sent thither.

London, 8
January,
1711.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed,) J. BERNARD BURKE, Ulster.

Record Tower, Dublin Castle,
1st February, 1871.

APPENDIX No. 2.

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE OF IRELAND.

INSTRUCTIONS by the Right Honorable the MASTER of the ROLLS, as to the duties to be performed in the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, in relation to DEEDS and MUNIMENTS of TITLE of PUBLIC DEPARTMENTS.

Deeds and Muniments of Title of Public Departments in Ireland may be received and kept at the Public Record Office, subject, unless by special order of the Master of the Rolls, to the following regulations:—

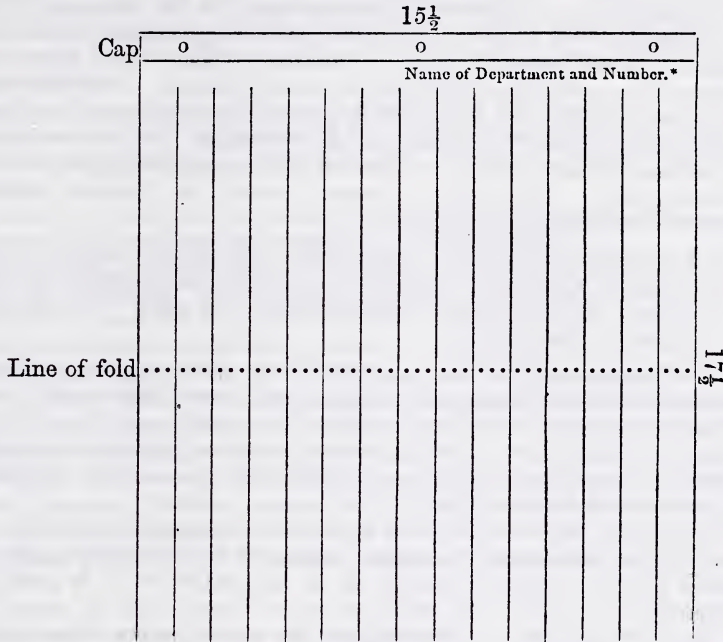
As to such Deeds and Muniments executed after the 1st of August, 1870;

They must be on parchment.

The sheets not to be less than 17 inches, nor to exceed $17\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length, by 15 and not exceeding $15\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width; to be engrossed lengthwise, as in diagram.

Where any Instrument consists of more sheets than one, it is to be capped across the width, as in diagram.

Each Instrument must bear the name of the department from which it comes, written or impressed, together with its current consecutive number at the top left hand corner (* in diagram) as, "Customs, Ireland, 1,"



A Specimen Deed may be inspected at the Public Record Office.

No Deed or Muniment lodged under this Order shall be taken out of the Public Record Office without the written order of the Master of the Rolls; nor shall the same be opened to inspection otherwise than on order of the Master of the Rolls, or on written requisition from the Head or Secretary of the Department to which it may belong.

A receipt shall be given by the Deputy or Assistant Deputy Keeper for each Instrument, in the following form:—

Received from the Department of
Ireland, an Instrument, No. , for deposit in the Public
Record Office, subject to the Regulations in the Instructions of the
Master of the Rolls of the 7th of May, 1870.

Dated this 7th day of May, 1870.

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*

APPENDIX No. 3.

EXTRACT from the REPORT of JOHN O. OVEREND, Esq., on the
TRANSFER and PART REMOVAL of the RECORDS of the COURT
OF EXCHEQUER.

In conjunction with Mr. Berry, from whom I received the greatest assistance, I commenced, on the 5th of April, 1870, the actual arrangement and preparation of the Records and Documents of the Court of Exchequer for removal to this department. The collection was contained in thirteen rooms. Three of these were used for the purposes of the Consolidated Writ Office; but as there was a large number of Law Exchequer Records stored in them, I had the presses therein numbered consecutively with those contained in the other rooms. I continued the series from the Queen's Bench offices, commencing with press No. 1,205, and ending with No. 1,569, being in all 364 presses. For further facility of reference, I have had the names of the several offices given in the Transfer Book. The offices or rooms in which the Records were deposited were named, respectively,

The Rules office, two rooms; Record office, two rooms; Master's office, two rooms; Chief Clerk's office, one room; Pleadings office, one room; Revenue office, one room; Stamp office, one room; Consolidated Writ office, three rooms.

The Records which I have transferred from these repositories chiefly consist of the Law Exchequer collection, and some Records that were formerly preserved in the Equity side of the court, and placed in the custody of the Master of the Exchequer by order of 9th December, 1852. Mention is made, and a list given, of this latter class in the Appendix to your second Report, page 91.

There were also removed some documents belonging to the Revenue side of the Exchequer, but which must not be confounded with the casual Revenue Records, reported on in Appendix No. 9 to your last Report.

The Law Exchequer Records may be placed under three heads, namely:—The Pleadings, the Record, and the Rules departments.

The Pleadings department had the custody of all documents prior to the marking of judgment. The arrangement and removal of the Records connected with this department occupied a considerable time, as I had to dovetail the collection with the portion of the Pleadings brought from the vaults and rooms of Benchers' Building, and placed temporarily in the Treasury vaults. The most of the collection so removed had been arranged and labelled by the late Mr. James F. Ferguson, according to terms and years, tied in brown-paper parcels, and placed in sacks. The work of interpolation was very tedious, and cost a good deal of time and labour, as the contents of no less than 305 sacks were examined and interpolated. In Appendix No. 7 of your second Report, further information will be had with regard to these sacks.

The Record department had the charge of all documents consequent upon and dealing with Judgments. The Records belonging to this department were generally in good order, and easily removed. Although I have entered, labelled, and made all arrangements for transferring the Debt and Case Judgment Rolls, I have not yet actually removed them, as no arrangement has been come to with regard to assigning and satisfying the judgments entered thereon, and performing the other duties connected therewith, after removal, by the officers of the court. The

Final Judgment Books—the indexes to these Rolls—have consequently not been transferred; and as they contain the references to the Judgment Pleadings, as well as to the Enrolments, the Judgment Pleadings remain here without Indexes.

The Records belonging to the Rules department were removed in the year 1869. A list of the collection was given in your second Report, page 15.

The documents of the Revenue department were in much disorder. Enrolments of “Deeds of Exchange of Glebe Lands,” “Exemplifications,” “Deeds,” &c., that will require further arrangement, were found amongst them, and will be treated of in a future report. A number of affidavits that appeared to belong to the Equity side of the Exchequer, were brought from the Revenue office; I have handed them over to the Equity collection.

The Records connected with the Equity side of the Exchequer were in excellent order, having been carefully arranged and labelled by the late Mr. James F. Ferguson; these I have also handed over to the Equity collection.

I proceed to enumerate the principal classes of documents removed, in dictionary order, noticing under each head how far indexed.

Affidavits are of five classes, viz.:—Common Affidavits, Affidavits of Service in Ejectment, Redocketing Affidavits, Affidavits of Service of Writs, and Affidavits to Register Warrants of Attorney.

Affidavits Common, 1737–1850, form a very regular series, H. 1744 only being missing. Under the other classes will be given the dates at which different series were from time to time placed under this head. Indexed in Affidavit Books, 1808–1849. The book for 1850 was not transferred, as it contained later dates.

Affidavits, Contempt in, 1760–1806, from which latter date they were kept as Common Affidavits, except for Hil. 1837, when they were kept on a separate file, but with what object I am unable to state. No Index.

Affidavits of Debt, M. 1803–1840, Indexed in the Affidavit Books from 1808.

Affidavits for Redocketing Judgments, 1828–1844. The Redocketing of Judgments was abolished by the 7th & 8th Vic., c. 107. The Indexes to these are kept in the Judgment Registration Office, and have not been transferred.

Affidavits to register warrants of Attorney, 1840–4. There is only one file of these. The warrants in some instances are attached to the Affidavits. The Affidavits filed subsequently to 1844 have not been removed as they are on the same file with others of a later date than 1850. No Index.

Affidavits of service in Ejectment, 1733–1850. There are several files wanting prior to 1746, from which year they are arranged in terms. A paper copy of the Declaration served, is in all cases attached to the Affidavit. Indexed from 1808 in Affidavit Books.

Affidavits of service of Notices of persons tendered as bail at bar for Defendants; only one bundle, 1794–1801. No Index.

Affidavits of service of Rules for Judgment, 1793–1823. A regular series, Indexed from 1808 in Affidavit Books.

Affidavits of service of Subpœnas, 1760–1840. Irregular to 1805. From 1810 to 1832, they were filed along with the Affidavits of service of Writs: the series was continued in 1832. These were the proceedings against members of Parliament, &c., by Common Law Subpœna—Indexed from 1808 in Affidavit Books.

Affidavits of service of Writs, M. 1803–1850, of Capias ad Respondendum: attached to each affidavit is the Writ of Capias, and an affidavit made

by the Plaintiff or his attorney, stating his knowledge of the Defendant, and that he believed him to be personally served. Indexed from 1808 in Affidavit Books.

Affidavits of Witnesses' Expenses, 1807-14. A solitary file. Indexed from 1808 in Affidavit Books.

Attorneys, Documents relating to the admission of, 1767-1850: were handed over to the custody of the Master of the Exchequer, on the abolition of the Equity Exchequer in 1850. They are made up in yearly bundles, and consist of the Stamp office certificate, certificate from Queen's Inns and other papers necessary for admission. There are a few gaps. From 1835 they contain the Petitions of Apprentices for admission. No Index.

Attorneys, Petitions of Apprentices to be admitted, 1713-1835, from which latter year they are placed with the Documents relating to the admission of Attorneys. No Index.

Roll of Oaths of 1776-1837. There is a gap from 1801 to 1829. The Roll subsequent to 1837, containing the oaths after 1850 has not been removed.

Yearly lists of 1734-1825 are in volumes. There are many missing.

Appearance Books, Rev. Ex. 1764-1850, 2 vols. containing the entry of Appearances of Defendants at the suit of the Crown.

Awards, see *Consents*.

Bail Books, 1802-1839.

Briefs, 1830-1849, lodged in cases along with other papers, for the purpose of facilitating the making up of orders of the Judges, &c. They properly belong to the parties leaving them, but never have been called for.

Case Judgments consist of all Final Judgments other than Debt. Up to the year 1835, they were arranged in the various classes mentioned below. From 1835 to 1844, they were entered in the following manner. The Attorney coming in to mark Judgment, lodged with the chief Clerks a sum of money necessary for stamp duty and fees. The officers then made up the Judgments, and at the end of the term, each officer gave in the Judgments marked by him for enrolment. The Pleadings were then labelled with the clerk's name, sending them in as "Stewart's Judgments," "Maguire's Judgments," &c. This system caused considerable confusion in their arrangement during that period. From the year 1844 the Judgments were all placed on one file, irrespective of class, and simply entitled Judgment Pleadings. In marking a case Judgment, all the Pleadings in the cause are taken off their respective files, and attached to the summary or certificate of Judgment, and an entry is made in the Pleadings Book of the date of their being taken off. Judgment Pleadings were enrolled at length up to 1850. Under this class fall Judgments—

On Confession and in Ejectment, 1764-1792. A gap from 1764 to 1786; from which year to 1792 they are tolerably regular. Indexed in the Final Judgment Books.

On Confession, H. 1769—H. 1835: are in very regular order, 1825 being the only year missing since 1800. Indexed in the Final Judgment Books.

By Default and on Confession, T. 1740-1830 run in very irregular order, a great many years and terms being wanting. Indexed in Final Judgment Books.

In Ejectment, H. 1756—H. 1835. These do not include Judgments where trial was had. (See *Judgments on Postea*.) Nor Judgments in Ejectment on Consent. (See *Judgments on Confession*.) Though the first file we have is for H. 1756, they don't commence as a regular series

until 1790, from which year there are but a few terms missing. These Judgments were formerly indexed in books called "Plaintiffs' Books" afterwards, and until 1844, in the Interlocutory Judgment Books: from 1844 they are indexed in the Final Judgment Books. But at all times when the Defendant took defence, and Judgment was had on Postea or Consent, they were Indexed in the Final Judgment Books. None of these Indexes has yet been removed.

On Inquisition, E. 1771-1835. From E. 1771 to 1790 there are many years and terms wanting. From 1790, with the exception of 1823 and 1833, they are in regular order. Indexed in Final Judgment Books.

On Nil Dicit, 1745-1833. There are several breaks up to 1766, from which year to 1819 they run regularly. 1820-1, 1824-1827, 1829-30 are missing. Indexed in Final Judgment Books.

On Postea and Inquisition, 1753-1802. There are only occasional terms in existence prior to 1782: from that year to 1792 they are tolerably regular; there is one term for 1794, and one file for 1802: after this year they were kept on the *Postea* Files. Indexed in Final Judgment Books.

On Postea, 1743-1835, are the Judgments marked on the finding of a jury. They commence with a solitary term for 1743, from which year till 1794 there are only a few isolated bundles: from 1794-1810, they remain in an almost unbroken series; but from 1810 to 1815, there is a complete gap, as well from 1815 to 1817: 1824 is also missing: another hiatus occurs between 1825 and 1828: they finish as a separate series in 1835. They include Judgments in Ejectment where trial was had. Indexed in Final Judgment Books.

On Sci. Fa., H. 1743-T. 1846: commence with one Term for 1743; the next is for M. 1769: from 1771-1846, they are fairly regular, some terms being wanting; but 1837 is the only year absent. Indexed in the Final Judgment Books.

Case Judgment Pleadings, E. 1835-1850.—The Judgment Pleadings from E. 1835 to 1843 were placed together, under the names of the respective chief clerks in the office, by whom the Judgments were prepared. From 1844, when the offices were reconstituted under the 7th & 8th Vic., c. 107, all Judgments marked, with the exception of Judgments on Sci. Fa., were kept together according to terms, each Judgment being numbered as it was entered. Judgments on Sci. Fa. were kept separately. Indexed in Final Judgment Books.

Certificates to Plead Double Matter, 1822-1849.—Made up in yearly bundles. No Index.

Cognovits, H. 1750-1850.—The Cognovit was the first step towards marking Judgment on Bond; which Judgment was afterwards enrolled, and all subsequent action thereon, such as assignment, satisfaction, &c., taken upon the Roll, so that the Cognovit is seldom or ever referred to. They are indexed in the Final Judgment Books, the references to them being the same as to the Rolls.

Common Affidavits, 1737-1850. See *Affidavits*.

Consents, 1742-1850, form a very regular series, and are in good condition. They are arranged in yearly bundles. Submissions and Awards are kept and indexed with the Consents. There is no Index previous to 1840. The Index Book after 1847, containing entries subsequent to 1850, has not been removed.

Court Books, 1798-1850. See *Rule Books*.

Crown Bonds, Rev. Ex., 1715-14th May, 1850, are in fair condition; they are kept in guard books. Vol. I., containing the first forty-nine Bonds, is not forthcoming. They are indexed from 1731 to 1836. As

the book from 1836 contained references to Bonds subsequent to 1850, it has not been removed.

Declarations, H. 1740-1850.—There are several years missing prior to 1784. From 1785 the series is complete. These are the Declarations in causes where judgment has not been marked; they do not include Declarations in Ejectment. See *Ejectments*. Indexed in Pleadings Books.

Declarations in Ejectment. See *Ejectments*.

Declarations, Second, in Ejectment, H. 1786-1849.—In causes not continued to judgment. From 1833 they are indexed in the Second Declaration Books, which are of a similar nature to the Pleadings Books, and contain the references to all defences and pleas filed to the Second Declarations. The indexes from 1845 to 1848 are not forthcoming.

Demurrers and Exceptions in Special Cases, 1830-1834.—No Index.

Demurrers. See *Pleas*.

Depositions, 1842-1849, of witnesses examined under a Commission, who were either unable from illness or distance to attend trials. Unindexed.

Deputations to Sub-Sheriffs, 1836-7, *Rev. Ex.*—From the High Sheriffs. No Index.

Ejectments, 1744-1850.—This series, though called and labelled "Ejectments," consists properly of "Declarations in Ejectment" where judgment has not been entered. In good order and sequence from 1782. A paper copy of the Declaration is attached to the Affidavit of Service in Ejectment. See *Affidavits*. Ejectments are indexed in Ejectment Books from the year 1822. Pleas to Declarations in Ejectment are entered in the Second Declaration Books. See *Declarations, Second, in Ejectment*.

Ejectment, Pleas in. See *Pleas*.

Ejectment, Affidavits in, 1733-1850. See *Affidavits*.

Estreat Book, Rev. Ex., 1849-1851, showing the fines imposed by every Court in each county.

Executions, returned, 1760-1850. The return of the Sheriff is on the back of each Writ. The Writs of Habere issued on Judgments in Ejectment were kept on these files, with the exception of those for 1838-1844, which were kept separately. See *Haberes*. They are indexed from 1825-1850.

Final Judgment Books.—Not yet removed.

Haberes, 1838-1844, with the return of the Sheriff on the back. They were kept on the Execution files before and after the above dates. See *Executions*. Indexed in Execution Books from 1825.

Indenture Books, 1770-1819, contain the entries of the Indentures of Attorneys' Apprentices. Unindexed.

Informations, Rev. Ex., 1828-1849, made at the suit of the Crown. Indexed from 1828.

Inquisitions, Rev. Ex., 1800-1850, taken in Revenue matters; they are not in very good order, and there is no Index.

Inquisitions, Rev. Ex., taken under the 14th Geo. III., c. 95, "An Act to provide for the defence and security of the realm." These Inquisitions refer to the purchase of various sites for the erection of Forts, Martello Towers, &c. They are principally for Donegal, Cork, and Galway. There is no Index.

Inquisitions, 1742-1850, returned to writs of inquiry issued upon Interlocutory Judgments for the purpose of assessing damages. From 1816 Scire Facias were kept with these Inquisitions. See *Sci. Fa.*

Judge's Reports and Counsel's Certificates, 1823-1849, lodged sometimes with other documents in the Rules Office in new trial motions, prior to the argument of cases in term. No Index.

Judgments, Case.—See *Case Judgments*.

Judgments on Confession and in Ejectment; on Confession; by Default and on Confession; in Ejectment; on Inquisition; on Nil Dicit; on Postea and Inquisition; on Postea; on Scire Facias.—See *Case Judgments*.

Judgment Pleadings.—See *Case Judgments*.

Judgments, Debt.—See *Cognovits*.

Memorials, 1749-1850, of Indented Deeds of Assignments of Judgments. When a judgment was assigned, the deed of assignment was brought into the office along with the memorial. The deed and memorial were compared with the enrolment of the judgment to be assigned. The memorial was retained as a record in the office, but the deed was returned. A memorandum of the assignment was placed at the foot of the enrolment of the judgment, along with the date, term, and number of the memorial. A person making a search for a memorial must first search the Final Judgment Book for a reference to the judgment; and then, referring to the enrolment of the judgment, he will find the reference to the memorial. The earliest memorials are for the year 1749. There are occasional gaps down to 1770, from which year there are not any files missing. They were recently bound in book shape, which makes them much more easy of reference. For the enrolments of memorials see *Memorial Rolls*.

Memorial Rolls, 1736-1850, are the enrolments of the Memorials of Indented Deeds of Assignments of Judgments. They commence in the year 1736, while the original Memorials are in existence only from the year 1749. The only roll missing is that for the year 1788. The references to these enrolments are obtained in the same manner as to the memorials themselves; the number of each memorial on the roll being identical with that of the original. In a return made by the Clerk of the Alphabets of the Court of Exchequer to the Record Commissioners, which will be found in vol. i., p. 180, of their Reports, it is stated "that the enrolment of memorials commenced in 1736, but was discontinued in 1766, and that no reason could be given for such discontinuance." As I found the Memorial Rolls from 1766 in a different place from the rest, I apprehend they must have escaped his observation.

Negative Searches, prior to the year 1844. They are unindexed.

Nil Scire Facias, H. 1753-1822.—Process to reviving Judgments: very irregularly preserved. Unindexed.

Non Est Inventus, 1753-M. 1820.—Writs so returned, several gaps between 1753 and 1797. No Index.

Notices of Motion, H. 1835-1849, lodged with the Clerk of the Rules. Unindexed.

Office Books, 1811-1848.—See *Rule Books*.

Pleadings Books, E. 1715-1850. The volumes for the following dates are missing:—1724-1728, 1732, 1736, 1741-1746, 1750-1752, 1756-1758. For the years 1840-1 there are special books for the cases brought by Lewis & Co. ("Topographical Dictionary"). The Pleadings in each suit, with the exception of cases on Scire Facias and in Ejectment, which are entered in other books, are all indexed in these volumes. The declaration is entered first, the plea next, and the other documents filed in the nature of pleadings in the order of their dates. Posteads and Consents have always been entered in separate books.

Pleadings, 1741-1850, a miscellaneous collection, consisting of Decla-

rations, Pleas, Defences, and other Pleadings, in cases where judgment was marked as well as where judgment was not marked. There are many gaps, and the whole series has been very irregularly preserved. The Pleadings in cases brought by Lewis & Co. are kept separately. There are some parcels labelled "Pleadings off," which means Pleadings that were taken off the proper Pleadings File, for the purpose of having judgment marked, and judgment not having been entered were never returned. In many cases there are several series for the same period. The indexes to these Records are in the Pleadings Books above mentioned, except in cases where judgment was had, when the Final Judgment Books are the proper indexes.

Pleas to Declarations, 1835-1850.—The first year in which this series was kept separately is 1835, from which year they continue with regularity to 1850, when the procedure was altered. These contain only the Pleas to Declarations where judgment has not been marked, and do not include Pleas to Declarations in Ejectment. For indexes see *Pleadings Books*.

Pleas in Ejectment, 1776-1850, consist of all Pleas and Defences filed to Second Declarations in Ejectment; in fair order. There are but few years missing. Indexed in Second Declaration Books.

Pleas of Confession, 1744-1850; form a regular series from 1791.

Pleas to Scire Facias, 1696-1850.—A very irregular series. The only indexes are the Scire Facias Books from 1840-1850.

Posteas and Inquisitions, 1771-E. 1786.—There are only a few files of these. There are no indexes.

Posteas, 1745-1850.—Posteas are generally written on, or attached to the "Abstract for Nisi Prius." This series consists of the Posteas where judgment has not been entered. The earliest is for the year 1745, from which year they continue in reasonably good order, there being few gaps after 1781. They are indexed from the year 1825-1846. The index book from 1846 to 1850 has not been transferred, as it contains the references to Posteas filed after 1850.

Posteas, Rev. Ex., 1815-1850.—In Crown cases. There are no Indexes.

Recognizance Books, Rev. Ex., 1663-1788, contain the entries of Recognizances entered into by order of the Court, conditioned for the payment of rent to the Crown out of lands, on a custodiam, made out by the Clerk of the Pipe. Indexed.

Recognizance Books.—See *Sheriffs*.

Redocketing Affidavits.—See *Affidavits*.

Requisitions to enter Rules, 1846-1849.—Before a rule could be entered, the party concerned had to lodge a requisition on a stamped form. They are useless and fill two sacks.

Reports, 1804-1850.—On orders to *tot*; commence in 1804; there are many gaps to the year 1837, from which time they extend regularly to 1850. Unindexed.

Records issued and made out, 1826-1844, for trials at *Nisi Prius*; made up, generally in three or four parcels for each year. No index.

Rule Books, Rev. Ex., 1704-1850.—In cases at the suit of the Crown, there are some gaps to 1779, from which year to 1850 they are complete, and are indexed.

Rule Books, Law, consist of three classes, viz., the *Court Book*, E. 1798-1850; the *Rule Book*, 1658-1849; *Office Rule Book*, 1811-1848.

The *Court Book* is that in which the orders are taken down shortly in Court by the officer, as they are made by the Judge. The earliest is for E. 1798, there are some years and terms missing up to 1850. They are indexed.

The *Rule Book* is that in which the orders are entered at length, on payment of stamp duty. Between 1658 and 1789 there are some gaps; from 1781 there is a volume for each term. They are indexed.

Office Rule Books contain the side bar orders of the court. They commence with one volume for 1811; from 1821 to 1844 they are in perfect order; and end with solitary books for 1846 and 1848. They are indexed.

Scire Facias, 1789-1802.—These are the writs in actions of Scire Facias not carried to judgment. From 1816 they were placed with the Inquisitions—see *Inquisitions*. During the interval between 1802 and 1816 they were kept with the “Pleadings”—see *Pleadings*. The only Scire Facias Books found, commence from 1840, and come down to 1850.

Second Declarations in Ejectment, 1786-1849—See *Declarations, second, in Ejectment*.

Sheriffs' Recognizance Books, Rev. Ex., 1789-1821, contain the entries of Recognizances to be accountable entered into by High Sheriffs.

Satisfactions, 1768-1850. The earliest is for 1768; they run in regular chronological order from 1814 to 1850. A memorandum of the satisfaction is placed at the foot of the enrolment of the judgment, and signed by an attorney. The indexes to them, being necessary for consulting the rolls retained, have not yet been removed.

Submissions and Awards—See *Consents*.

Suggestions, 1781-1850, of revivor, &c. Not indexed.

Warrants of Attorney, E. 1834-1850.—They commenced to be filed in E. 1834, under the 39th General Order of that year. Formerly the bond and warrant were merely produced by the attorney on entering judgment, who retained both in his custody. They are bound in volumes, and are indexed up to 1849. The book for 1850, containing references to warrants filed subsequently to that year, has not been transferred.

Writs and Indentures of Appraisement, Rev. Ex., 1828-1850.—Taken at the suit of the Crown previous to informations being made. No index.

Attached to this Report is a list of Miscellaneous documents, forming no regular series, a list of the Equity Exchequer Records, and a list of the MSS. collections of the late Mr. James F. Ferguson. I also beg to refer to the schedule annexed, showing the number of sacks emptied, and of pieces interpolated with those brought from the Benchers' Building.

I am very much indebted to the officers of the Court of Exchequer for the assistance and courtesy I received from them during the work of removal.

The following is an alphabetical list of miscellaneous documents removed, forming no regular series:—

Aghavoe Parish, Papers relating to, 1821-3.

Allegiance, Oaths of, under 13th and 14th Geo. III., 1820-8.

Attorneys, Roll of, 1762-6.

Attorneys, Roll of Oaths of, not to employ Popish Barristers or

Apprentices under 7th Geo. II., 1777-1792.

Bond Book, M. 1691-M. 1730.

Deeds, 1 bundle, circa 1730, connected with Lord Palmerston, when Chief Remembrancer.

Docket Book, 1829-1830.

Estreat Book, 1849-1851.

Fine Books, 1797-1824.

- Judges' Report, *Jagoe v. Hungerford*.
 Leading Orders, Book of, 1734-1739.
 Letters, 1 bundle, belonging to Lord Palmerston, when Chief Re-
 membrancer, *circa* 1730.
 Law Arguments, Lists of,
 Memorandum Books, 1821-1850—28 vols.
 Oaths, Roll of, 1784-1843, taken by Public Officers.
 Petitions for Reducement of Fines and Recognizances.
 Records (special) *Minchin v. Allen*.
 " " *Lewis v. Dunne*.
 " not compared, 1 file.
 Reducement of Fines, Entry Book of, 1812-37.
 Rule Book, Ch. Rem., 1835-50.
 Rule Book in Insolvent Cases, 1820-1.
 Scire Facias and Levaris, on which renewals have gone out.
 " on which judgments have been entered, 1775-8.
 " Writs, 1697-1796.
 " William IV.
 " One file not acted on.
 Sequestration Accounts, one file.
 Sheriffs, Lists of, who have been sworn in at the Court of Ex-
 chequer from 4th February, 1786-1803.
 " Abstracts of Writs issued to, 1849-50.
 " Nominated, a List of, 1732-77.
 " Account Book, 1844-50.
 Special Jury Lists (struck by Master).
 Summons Books, 1835-49.
 Writs, Entry Book of, Rev. Cases, 1844-50.
 " New Book of, H. 1732.
 " Returned, Book of, 1722.

The following is a list of the Records connected with the Equity side of the Exchequer, transferred from the Master's office:—

- Rolls of Adventurers' Certificates.
 " Connaught Certificates.
 " Decrees of Innocents.
 " "Forty-nine Lots."
 " Quit-rent Reducements.
 Pipe Rolls, 45 & 46 Henry III.
 Memoranda Rolls.
 Decree Rolls (continuation of the Memoranda Rolls).
 Communia Rolls.
 Originalia Rolls, 35 Elizabeth to Charles II.
 Originalia Writ, James II.
 Estreat of Inquisitions, William III.
 Inquisitions.
 Repertory to Inquisitions, Henry VIII., Edward VI., Mary, Philip
 and Mary, Elizabeth (Ex. p. Rem.)
 " to Inquisitions, James I. and Charles I. (Ex. p. Rem.)
 Calendar of Inquisitions in Ch. Rem.'s office, 14-25 Henry VIII.
 Repertory to Mem. Rolls, Edward I., II., III.
 " " Edward VI., Philip and Mary, 30-7 Eliz.
 " " 1-29 Elizabeth.
 " " James I. and Charles II.
 " " Charles II.

- Book of Sheriffs' Accounts, 1655-6.
 Repertory to Com. Rolls, 1605-27.
 Repertory to Originalia, indexed, 1603-26.
 " " 1627-36.
 " " 1637-41.
 Alphabet of Decrees of Innocents and Certificates of Adventurers,
 Soldiers, &c.
 Alphabet of Claimants' names, 1654-5.
 Alphabet of Reducement of Quit-rents and of Connaught Certifi-
 cates, 1690.
 Book-Orders of Court of Claims, 6 June, 1654-10 March, 1654.
 Book of Orders in Exchequer on Claims and English Pleadings, H.
 1655-November, 1657.
 Book Decrees of Court of Claims, 25 July-14 October, 1654.
 " " 1655.
 The fourth Journal of Commissioners under Act of Settlement (Ex.
 P. R.), 11 March 1666-13 December, 1667.
 Order Book of Commissioners of Reducement, 1669-1709.
 " " 1679-97.
 Book of Homage Fines, E. 1610-M. 1612.
 A book of lands passed on surrenders of Connaught chargeable with
 respice of Homage, 1612-1632.
 Book of Homage fines, E. 1627-T. 1629.
 Part of Book of Homage Fines, 1629-32.
 Book of Homage Fines, 1629-32.
 Book of Respice of Homage Fines, 1625-6.
 " " 1635-8.
 " " 1639-41.
 Book Entries of Acquittances for Homage, 1632-9.
 Book of Lands for which Fines for respice of Homage were paid
 during the reign of James I.
 Book of Fines and Amerciaments, 1656-65.
 Inventory of Utensils in Custom Houses, 1663.
 Appearances on Sci. Fa., 1690.
 Book of Attainders (William and Mary), Ex. P. Rem.
 Book of Subsidies, 1661-70.
 Sheriffs' Accounts, 1666-93.
 Valor Beneficiorum (Ex. p. Rem.)
 Registers' Book : Commission of Ecclesiastical Causes, 1570-73.
 " A Booke of Orders with the true answeringe of the Quene's Mat.
 Revenue, 10th, in the Realme of Ireland, 1574 "—16th Elizabeth.
 Book of Entry of King's Letters and Orders of Council, Charles II.
 Ancient Statutes and Ordinances, Tr. Rem.
 Red Book of the Exchequer.
 Black " " "
 Inquisition Indenture and Commission (Henry VI. and Charles I.)
 Liber Tenurarum, Ultonia.
 " " Momonía.
 " " Lagenia.
 " " Conacia.

The following is a list of MSS., collections of the late Mr. James Ferguson, transferred from the Master's Office with the above-mentioned Records.

- Exchequer Records, Edward III.-Anne.
 Eq. Exchequer Orders, 1604-1618.
 " " 1618-1638.

Eq. Exchequer Orders, 1638-1673.	
Rev. Exchequer Orders, 1592-1657.	
" " " 1657-1666.	
Repertory, Mem. Rot., Edward III.-Richard II.	
" " Henry IV.-Henry V.	
" " Henry VI.	
" " Edward IV.-Henry VIII.	
" " Edward VI.-Elizabeth.	
" " Elizabeth.	
" " James I.-Cromwell.	
" " Charles II.	
Index, to Mem. Rot., No. 1.	
" " 2.	
" " 3.	
" " 4.	
Repertory, Com. Rot.	
Index, " "	
Repertory to Excheq. Inquisitions, Counties, A-G.	
" " G-L.	
" " L-	
Index to Excheq. Inquisitions, Co. Dublin.	
" " No. 1.	
" " 2.	
" " 3.	
" " 4.	
Repertory, Adventurers' Certificates.	
" " Decrees of Innocents.	

The eight volumes next mentioned were purchased by the Government from Mr. J. F. Ferguson's executrix, as appears by a printed memorandum pasted on the fly-leaf of the first volume :—

"These collections from the Remembrance Rolls of the Exchequer, in eight volumes, made by James Frederick Ferguson, esq., Secretary to the late Commission for arranging the Records of the Exchequer, were purchased at his decease, in the month of December, 1855, from his executrix, by means of a grant from the Lords of the Treasury, together with a complete series of Indexes to the Ancient Records of the Court, compiled by him. These collections comprise also some extracts from the Rolls by the late William Lynch, esq., author of 'Feudal Dignities in Ireland,' to whom Mr. Ferguson was some time assistant.

"(Signed), "ROBERT HITCHCOCK, Master, Exchequer.
January, 1858."

- Vol. 1. Edward I., II., III.
 " 2. Richard II., Henry IV., and V.
 " 3. Henry VI., Edward IV., Richard III., Henry VII.
 " 4. Henry VIII.
 " 5. Edward VI., Philip and Mary.
 " 6. Elizabeth, No. 1.
 " 7. " 2.
 " 8. James I., Charles I. and II., James II., William III., Anne.

LIST of the NUMBER of PIECES taken from the SACKS brought from the BENCHERS' BUILDING, and interpolated with the RECORDS brought from the Offices of the COURT of EXCHEQUER.

Sacks.	Documents.	Pieces.
8	Judgments on Postea,	53
16	„ on Inquisition,	101
9	„ in Ejectment,	90
7	„ on Sci. Fa.,	108
5	„ on Postea and Inquisition,	36
19	„ on Confession,	93
3	„ by Default and on Confession,	22
2	„ on Confession, and in Ejectment,	11
25	Nil Dicits,	183
3	Venires,	38
38	Declarations,	192
23	Pleadings,	151
1	Posteas and Inquisitions,	5
1	Inquisitions,	12
11	Ejectments,	126
9	Posteas,	64
2	Second Declarations,	11
9	Non Ests,	78
1	Levaris,	19
1	Nil Sci. Fa.,	9
1	Sci. Fa.,	11
1	Affidavits of Debt,	12
1	„ of Service of Subpœnas,	23
1	„ „ Rules for Judgment,	10
3	„ „ Capiases,	16
7	„ in contempt,	115
1	Writs,	12
1	Capiases,	10
16	Injured Filings (miscellaneous),	102
80	Unlabelled, containing Cognovits,	201
	Posteas,	25
	Ejectments,	22
	Nil Dicits,	26
	Judgments on Inquisition,	11
	Inquisitions,	17
	Common Affidavits,	60
	Ejectment,	38
	Miscellaneous,	9
	Total	
305		2,122

APPENDIX No. 4.

Rolls Chamber, Dublin,
14th May, 1870.

The Master of the Rolls begs to call the attention of Her Majesty's Judges of the Courts of Common Law to the circumstance that many of the Common Law Records now about to be removed to the Public Record Office will, after their lodgment, from time to time, be liable to have entries made thereon; and that, inasmuch as the officers of the Public Record Office have no authority to alter any Record, provision will have to be made as to the mode in which necessary entries may hereafter be effected by the proper officers or officer of the respective courts.

The Master of the Rolls has power to make orders regulating the management of the Record Office; but it would appear to him that for framing a satisfactory order touching alterations in the Records of the Common Law Courts, the joint action of the Judges would be eminently desirable. The Master of the Rolls begs to enclose Draft Instructions (red ink), which would appear to him to be sufficient to insure the all-important object of having such alterations authoritatively made.

This Draft has been framed in analogy to the order of the late Master of the Rolls, regulating the practice as to the entry of vacates, &c., on Records of the Court of Chancery, which the Master of the Rolls is informed has been found to work satisfactorily, and of which a copy (black ink) is enclosed.*

It would appear to the Master of the Rolls that it will be for the Judges to determine who shall be the officer or respective officers of the courts whose duty it will be to attend at the Public Record Office, and make such authorized entries; and that this point being determined by the Judges, the suggested instructions might be adopted. A suitable apartment has been prepared at the Record Office for the reception of officers attending on such business.

The urgency of this matter has been pressed on the Master of the Rolls by a most influential deputation of the Incorporated Law Society, who have pointed out the necessity of provision being made to ensure a regular practice in this respect, before the Records in question, now ready for removal, shall leave their present places of deposit.

INSTRUCTIONS, until further order, by the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls in Ireland, as to the duties to be performed in the Public Record Office, in relation to entries on and fee-free Inspections of Records of the Superior Courts of Law.

When, in any of Her Majesty's Superior Courts of Common Law in Ireland, it shall be necessary to make any entry in writing upon any Record or other document of such court, deposited in the Public Record Office, on the proper officer of such Superior Court attending at the Search Department of the Public Record Office, and delivering to the officer there in charge an Entry Docket, in the form annexed, signed by or on behalf of the Master of such court, and on his signing the usual Office Requisition for such record or other document, the same and all proper books in relation thereto shall be produced to him, and he may thereupon make such entry, and also every proper entry connected therewith in any Index or other Book of Reference in said department; and books shall be kept in the Public Record Office, containing lists of all such entries, with the dates thereof, under proper heads. And also,

* See Appendix No. 4 to Second Report.

when and so often as any person shall desire to inspect any such record or document, which, by the practice of Her Majesty's said courts, might, if not removed, have been inspected free of charge in the record department of such court; on such person delivering an Inspection Docket in the form annexed, signed as aforesaid, and signing such requisition, the officer in charge of said Search Department of the Public Record Office shall permit such inspection to be had free of charge.

ENTRY DOCKET.

Court of

To

The Deputy-Keeper of the Public Records :

Mr.

the proper Officer of this Court is authorized
to enter
on

Dublin,

of

Master.
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INSPECTION DOCKET.

Court of

To

The Deputy-Keeper of the Public Records :

Mr.

is authorized to inspect

free of charge.

Dublin,

of

Master.
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APPENDIX No. 5.

PLAN of RECORD REPOSITORIES of the COURT of EXCHEQUER.

APPENDIX No. 6.

REPORT of WILLIAM. M. HENNESSY, Esq., on the MS. Collections
of the late JAMES FREDERICK FERGUSON.

These collections, at present retained in the Search Room for purposes of reference, comprise altogether thirty-eight MS. volumes of various sizes.

Of these, eight large folio volumes consist of collections, extracts, and notes taken from the Memoranda Rolls of the Exchequer.

The greater portion of these volumes is in the handwriting of Mr. Ferguson; but it is stated in a printed memorandum, prefixed to each volume, by authority of the late Master Hitchcock, that they also comprise extracts from the same Rolls by William Lynch, author of "Feudal Dignities." The value of these compilations is diminished by the want of an index.

Three small folio volumes are lettered on the back, "Equity Exchequer Orders from 1604 to 1673;" but on comparing them with the "Order Books, *ex parte* Chief Remembrancer," included in the Revenue Exchequer Collection (*vide* your Second Annual Report, p. 99), I find they are only a collection of extracts from the latter volumes. They are not indexed; and do not comprise any selections from the Order Book for 1604-5.

Two volumes of the same size as the last are entitled "Revenue Exchequer Orders, 1592-1666." These constitute a complete, but not very full, calendar to the "Order Books, *ex parte* Second Remembrancer," for the period in question. They are not indexed.

Eight volumes of a similar size, but bound in white linen, are devoted to a "Repertory to the Mem. Rolls from the reign of Edward III. to that of Charles II. But this Repertory is merely a fragmentary collection of extracts.

Four volumes consist of indexes to the Memoranda Rolls. But they do not altogether constitute anything like one complete index. They seem to have been made up from notes taken by the compiler at different intervals, as the chronological order which is followed in some portions of the lists is inverted in others. They do not seem to include any names appearing in the Rolls previous to the middle of the reign of Edward III.

One volume, is entitled "Repertory to Communia Rolls." But it is incomplete, consisting only of various extracts from the Originalia and Communia Rolls from 1606 to 1734.

One volume, lettered "Index to Communia Rolls," is also incomplete.

Three volumes consist of a brief calendar to the Exchequer Inquisitions, divided into counties in alphabetical order. It is not continued after Meath. The names of persons and places mentioned in the calendar are arranged in alphabetical order in the margin, which renders it a cause of regret that the calendar was not finished.

Four volumes of indexes to Exchequer Inquisitions. These volumes contain a general index to persons and places, under the heads of counties, arranged according to the numbers of the inquisitions in the list published by the Commissioners of Public Records; and are very useful, in the absence of a more perfect and comprehensive index.

One small quarto volume, lettered "Exchequer Inquisitions, Dublin," seems to have been intended as a kind of commonplace book, in index order. It contains entries and notes from the Memoranda Rolls, as well as from the Inquisitions.

One volume, lettered "Adventurers' Certificates," contains a list of persons, in index order, to whom certificates were given by the Court of Claims. It is imperfect; but is valuable so far as it goes, in giving the quantity and denomination of the lands set out to each person.

One volume of "Decrees of Innocents." The same observations used in reference to the last volume are applicable to this.

One volume, large folio, lettered "Exchequer Records from Edward III. to Anne," seems to have been kept as a sort of commonplace book, in index order.

APPENDIX No. 7.

PLAN of RECORD REPOSITORIES in the COURT of COMMON PLEAS.

APPENDIX No. 8.

EXTRACT from REPORT of JAMES MILLS, Esq., on the RECORDS removed from the COURT of COMMON PLEAS, 1870.

The transfer of the Records of the Court of Common Pleas, already to a considerable extent prepared for removal, partly by Mr. Lopdell and myself, and partly by Mr. Moloney and Mr. M'Ghee, was commenced on the 23rd August, 1870.

The Records of the Court were contained in 258 presses distributed through a large fire-proof Record Room, two passages and seven offices; and on open shelves in another room on the top floor of the eastern wing of the Four Courts Building, and in sacks in two vaults in the basement of the same. The transfer was commenced with these sacks. A list of their contents existed; but in the then state of the sacks, reference to them would have been impossible, as they were crowded together without any reference to their order, and several which had lain upon the floor had rotted from contact with the damp stone. The list showed 162 sacks, but Nos. 11, 13, 18, and 67 were not found. Two unnumbered sacks (whose contents do not agree with the missing ones) made the number to be removed 160.

These sacks have been removed, cleansed, the contents of decayed sacks replaced in new ones, and the whole deposited in order in Bays 3 R, 3 S, 3 T, 3 U, and 2 S, not yet fitted up. Since their transfer 86 sacks have been opened, and their contents (1,319 bundles) catalogued; 239 bundles have been restored to their places with the Records removed from the offices. The following list shows the classes of documents thus treated:—

86 bundles of Cognovits,		extending from 1720 to 1797	
14	„ Declararations and Copied Pleadings,	„	1804 „ 1806
13	„ Pleas,	„	1802 „ 1806
9	„ Issues and Judgments by Default,	„	1804 „ 1811
9	„ Interlocutory Judgment Pleadings,	„	1794 „ 1831
1	„ Final Judgments,	„	1800
5	„ Ejectments and Scire Facias,	„	1801 „ 1806
50	„ Declarations in Ejectment,	„	1786 „ 1806
33	„ Posteas,	„	1733 „ 1821
12	„ Posteas and Inquisitions,	„	1791 „ 1818
5	„ Outlawry Affidavits,	„	1790 „ 1799
2 Filacer's Rolls of Judgments,		{	„ 1714 „ 1726
		{	„ 1814 „ 1816

The documents in the Record Room and Offices were, for the most part, in good order, with sufficient Indexes. In many cases however, from the crowded state of the repositories, the minor series of Records had been much deranged. Several important classes, too, are without sufficient or any reference. The Recoveries of the Palatine Court of Tipperary have no Index whatever; Judgments in Ejectment against the Casual Ejector want reliable Indexes before 1821; two ineffectual searches have been made for documents of this class since the removal of the Common Pleas Records. The Indexes to Fines and Recoveries require completion—those to the Fines throughout, and those to the Recoveries from 1760 to 1821, supplementally to the existing references, which comprise only the term and year. The Fines, too, when being bound in portfolios have been in many instances disarranged, so as to

make reference more inconvenient. The Court Rolls before 1661 are also (except as regards the Recoveries) without Indexes ; but as a large number of the older Common Bench Rolls are contained in the collection transferred from the Bermingham Tower it may be advisable that the few of ancient date brought from the offices should be treated with them.

We subjoin an alphabetical list of the classes of Records removed and placed in Bays 3 E, 3 F, 3 G, and 3 H, indicating the periods over which they extend, and the means of reference to them, with such notes as appear necessary.

Account Books.

From Rules Office, 1784-6 and 1790-1821.

Prothonotarys' and Masters' Books of Incidental Expenses of the Court, one for each quarter, 1821-50.

Acknowledgments of Deeds,

Mich. 1834 to 1850. *Index*, 1834-45. Certificates by a Judge or by Commissioners of the acknowledgment by married women of their voluntary consent to the Deeds in substitution of Fines and Recoveries enrolled in Chancery, with affidavits by persons acquainted with them as to their willingness and capacity, filed under 4 & 5 W. IV., c. 92, sec. 70 and 71. Bound in portfolios. Indexed in names of the women acknowledging, with number on file, date of Deed, date of acknowledgment, and locality of tenements affected by the Deed.

Affidavits (Common),

Easter 1804 to 1850 (irregular, 1679-1803). *Index*, 1804-50. Affidavits to ground motions, of service of notices, &c., on term files. Index Books entered alphabetically under the title of the cause, with number on file.

Affidavits in Ejectment,

1790-1850 (irregular, 1696-1789). *Index*, 1812 to T. 1850. Original Declarations in Ejectment with notice from Casual Ejector, and affidavits of service on the parties concerned. On term files. Indexed in the name of lessor of plaintiff with number on file.

Affidavits to ground marked Writs,

1803-50. *Index*, 1803-42. Affidavits of amount of the cause of action for which defendants might be held to bail, pursuant to 43 Geo. III., c. 53, 10 Geo. IV., c. 35, and 3 & 4 Vic. c. 105. On files. Index entered alphabetically under title of cause with number on file.

Affidavits for Orders to Tot,

1808-1841 (1810 wanting, and after 1828 very imperfect). Affidavits stating cause of action, and that Interlocutory Judgment had been obtained, with a Judge's fiat for the order to Tot annexed. See *Reports*.

Affidavits of Outlawry,

1790-1850. *Index*, 1808-34. Affidavits of service of writs for "Proclamation to the Outlawry," as process to enforce appearance, on files, for irregular periods. The files for 1804-5, 1807, 1843-6 are wanting. Index Books entered in name of defendant with number on the file.

Affidavits (Redocket),

1829 to T., 1844. Filed pursuant to 9 Geo. IV., c. 35, to obtain re-entry of Judgments. Bound in portfolios. Redocket Books removed to Office of Registrar of Judgments by 7 & 8 Vic., c. 90.

Affidavits of Service of Process,

1804-49. *Index*, 1812 T., 1844. Filed under 43 Geo. III., c. 53. On files. Indexed in title of cause in same books as the Affidavits in Ejectment.

Appearance Books,

1714-1850. Rough Books of Appearances, 1822-47. The Appearance Books contain entries of the appearances of defendants by their attorneys or otherwise, of special bail, and of defences in ejectment. Each book is indexed in names of causes from 1724, except 1750-5. From 1720-74 the entries of Bail were made at the end of each book, and usually with a separate Index. Books for 1730-9, 1759-66, 1774-8, 1788-91, and 1797-9 not found.

Attorneys.

Register Books of Licences, 1806-47, contain alphabetical lists of the names of Attorneys licensed to practise each year, their residence, and whether of more or less than three years' standing; 1809-10 and 1815-16 are wanting.

Petitions to be admitted, 1792 and 1820-50, with certificates where already admitted in King's Bench or Exchequer. Partly in portfolios and partly in irregular bundles.

Rolls of Oaths subscribed by Attorneys on their admission, 1714-1803 (the roll commencing 1804, extending to the present time, with Index Book from 1820, not removed).

Entries of enrolments of Apprentices' Indentures, 1801-15. One volume containing apprentices' names alphabetically, with masters' names, terms of service, and date of Indenture.

Indentures of Apprenticeship, 1799-1829. One bundle original indentures.

Stamp Office Certificates of payment of duty on apprentices' indentures, 1816-48, on one file.

Assignments of Judgments,

1736-1850. See *Memorials of*. There are also original Deeds of Assignment of Judgment, dating from 1781 to 1821, bundled according to the first letter of assignor's name. The letters F, G, K, L, R, and S only have been found.

Receipt Book for Deeds of Assignment of Judgment, 1834-42.

Assizes, Lists of Records at,

1820 and 1825, left in the office by Registrars.

Awards.

See *Submissions and Awards; Partition, Writs of*.

Bail

Entered in Appearance Books, 1720-1850. Before 1774 these entries signed by persons becoming bail.

Bail pieces that have not been confirmed, 1848-50. One bundle containing bail pieces and affidavits of service of notice of persons tendered as bail.

Bills and Writs

against Peers and privileged persons, 1807-23 and 1829-49. In bundles, each for two or more years.

Certificates of Acknowledgments of Deeds.

See *Acknowledgments*.

Certificates (Counsels'),

1820-50. Certificates by counsel of necessity to plead double matter, for special juries, &c., filed in Rules Office to obtain entry of rules. In bundles, in bad order and very imperfect.

Certificates of Costs,

1848. Officers' Certificates of Taxed Costs. One file.

1821-32. Same on Outlawries. One file.

Certificates of no Appearance,

1804-43. Filed to obtain rule for entering Parliamentary Appearance, 43 G. III., c. 53. In bundles; very imperfect.

Certificates of no Plea,

1845, for rules for Judgment by Default. One file.

Certificates of Sum due,

1782-1835, 1838-40, and 1845-7. Filed by Attorneys when obtaining execution. On files.

Certificates of Parties' Names.

Certificates of the correctness of names and descriptions of parties attached to Judgments. One bundle, 1837-41, not filed.

Certified Copies and Negative Searches,

1814-21. One bundle.

Cognovits,

Trinity 1800 to 1850 (irregular, 1720-99), Declarations with memorandum that defendant has confessed the action (*cognovit actionem*—whence the name) upon which Debt Judgments, or Judgments on a Bond and Warrant of Attorney were marked. For the period during which they are complete they may be found by the reference numbers in the Judgment Books.

Commissions,

one volume entries of Commissions to take affidavits and Special Bail, 1806-44, with a few of earlier date re-entered. (A Roll of these Commissions from 1821 not removed.)

A Book of Entries of all Documents which received the great seal of the Court, i.e., Exemplification of Recoveries and Commissions, 1821-42. One bundle original Commissions with great seal attached.

Consents for Judgment,

1788-1806, and 1838 to Trin. 1850. *Index*, 1784-1848. The first file of original Consents found is for 1802-6, but this is supplemented by a book containing full transcripts of Consents for Judgment from 1788-1804. The reference numbers in the Index Book do not agree with those in this volume, but a Consent may be found without much difficulty by its date. The entries are made alphabetically in defendant's

name. The indexes are in defendant's name, with dates of filing and of the rule for Judgment, and number on file.

Consents for Rules,

1796-1844. In bundles, imperfect, and requiring arrangement.

Copied Pleadings,

1811-1850. *Indexes*, 1835-50. Declarations removed from their own file to be copied. The *Indexes* appear to contain, besides the contents of the files, lists of all Documents copied each term in the Pleadings Department, with number of folios. On term files. The files for T. 1831; H. M. 1837; T. M. 1838; T. 1839; H. E. 1840; T. 1841, not found.

Costs.

See *Certificates*; also *Nisi Prius*.

Declarations

not proceeded on, 1804-50. *Copied Pleadings*, 1811-50. *Index*, 1800-50 (irregular, 1630-1709). The Plaintiff's Declaration or statement of the cause of action, filed upon the Defendant's appearing to the process. If removed from the file to be copied, was replaced on file of copied Pleadings for same term. When Judgment was marked or Issue joined, the Declaration was taken from the file, marked "off" in the Declaration Book, and with the other pleadings in the cause placed upon the Judgment or Issue file.

Declarations in Ejectment on separate files. See *Ejectments*.

Term files of Declarations for M. 1805, T. 1806, M. 1810, E. 1820; M. 1837, E. M. 1838, E. 1839, H. 1840, E. M. 1842, H. 1843, not found.

Index Books from 1800 entered alphabetically in Plaintiff's name, contain number on file, Defendant's name, nature of action, Attorney's name, date of filing, subsequent proceedings with reference, and date of removal from the file.

For Index, 1630-1709, see *Pleadings*.

Deeds,

leading uses of Recoveries, 1656-1834, enrolled on same Rolls as Recoveries.

Entered in Judgment Books, 1661-E. 1821; in Case Roll Indexes, 1760-E. 1821, with reference numbers; those for T. & M. 1821 in a Judgment Book improperly lettered "Issues, 1821," only; and in one volume Index to Deeds, 1822-34. A few of the Commonwealth are entered in the first volume of Indexes to Recoveries.

Certificates of Acknowledgments of Deeds, 1834-50. See *Acknowledgments*.

Dockets,

1826-41. Two bundles, lodged with Clerk of Rules for entry of Rules.

Ejectments.

Ejectments not proceeded on, 1806-1849 (irregular, 1789-1805). *Index*, 1800-49. *Affidavits in Ejectment*, 1790-1850 (irregular, 1696-1789). *Index*, 1812-50. Files of *Judgments in Ejectment*, 1800-50.

The Declaration in Ejectment was filed by a nominal party, as lessee of the interested proprietor, against a supposed trespasser—the Casual Ejector—also a nominal party. The engrossed Declarations constitute the files of "Ejectments." The original Declarations, with a notice explaining their meaning, and Affidavits of Service on the persons sought to be ejected, containing names and other particulars, form the files of Affidavits in Ejectment. Judgment by Default might be marked

against the Casual Ejector, and was final against such of the parties served as did not take defence. There are entries of the Defences in the Appearance Books, but no original Defences or Pleas in Ejectment have been found. If any of the parties took defence, Plaintiff filed his second Declaration against such party or parties; these second Declarations are also on the files of Ejectments. After issue joined proceedings were substantially the same as in any other action. See *Judgments in Ejectment*.

In the Ejectments H. 1839, was wanting. For 1800-1, the Ejectments are entered in the ordinary Declaration Books; from 1802 they form a series by themselves. Entered alphabetically in the name of the lessor of the Plaintiff.

Two paper-bound books contain a return of the number of Ejectments brought in this Court for 1841-3, with particulars in tabular form.

Error, Writs, and Records in

1716-1845, on four files. Clerk of Errors Index Book, 1716-1849, entered in name of Plaintiff in original suit. One Roll, Enrolments of Records in Error from Inferior Courts for the reign of Geo. II.

Essoigns,

or excuses for parties not appearing. In early Rolls, tantamount to Day-Rules. One small file, 1751-1829.

Exchequer Chamber.

Writs and Pleas in Error. One bundle, 1798-1838.

Executions

on files of *Returned Writs*. Issue of, entered in *Seal Books*. *General Clerks' Execution Books*, 1835-44, two books.

Fiats (Judges'),

for Orders to Tot, annexed to *Affidavits*.

Filacer's Rolls,

1714-26, Enrolments of Judgments in Dower, Non pros., &c.

1763-1815, Judgments in Dower.

1814-16 and 1819-50, Non pros. Judgments.

There is an Index to Non pros. Judgments from 1815-50 in Plaintiff's name. 1815-21 is at the back of the first volume of Indexes to Outlawry Affidavits.

Fines.

Feet or Records, 1576-1834. *Writs of Covenant, &c.*, 1611-1834. *Duplicate Indentures*, 1786-95 and 1803-34. *Index*, 1512-1834. Enrolments, 1590-1, 1595-6, and 1610-11.

The files of Writs of Covenant, &c., contain—the Writ of Covenant commanding the persons levying the Fine, the Deforciant or Conusor, "to perform their covenant with" the Plaintiff or Conusee; and the Concord or Agreement between the parties acknowledged and signed by the Conusors before one of the Judges of the Court, or before Commissioners, in which case the Writ of "Dedimus potestatem" is attached. An office return without date describes the files of this series as "imperfect to 1648; from 1649 to 1654 wanting; part of 1655; 1656 to 8 perfect; part of 1659 imperfect, Trinity, Michaelmas, and Hilary wanting. From 1660 to 1835 all perfect, except the following Terms—Trinity, 1664; Michaelmas, 1666; Easter, 1673; Trinity, Michaelmas, and Hilary, 1690, and Hilary, 1766."

The Feet, Indentures, or Records of the Fines are stated in the return

of the chirographer in 1811 to be "irregular to 1665." Since that year the only chasms appear to be Easter 1689, to Michaelmas 1690, and Hilary 1766. Till Easter 1667, each Fine is indorsed with the proclamations: since then the practice was to enter the proclamations upon two or three at the end of the term, and merely mark the others "proclaimed."

Claims to Fines, one file, 1771-1801.

There are also Notes of Fines contained upon the two oldest Court Rolls. See *Rolls*. Fines and Recoveries now abolished by 4 & 5 Wm. IV., c. 92.

The principal *Index* consists of three vols. Vol. I., 1705-38, is entered chronologically by counties, with names of parties and tenements. Vols. II. and III. extend from 1739 to 1835, one containing the counties from A to K, the other from L to W, with alphabetical lists of the persons levying Fines in each county, and reference to the year and term, but without the number on the file. There are ten vols. of Fine entry books, 1512-1835, entered by counties to the end of Elizabeth's reign, thence to 1758, chronologically, and from 1758 to 1835, by counties. These entry books contain county, names of all parties, nature of tenement, and principal denominations. An additional book contains a chronological list by counties of persons levying Fines for the entire period of the foregoing series of entry books. It contains page references down to 1812. The first page of the County Dublin list is wanting. This volume contains also a list of Fines in the Palatine Court of Tipperary. Eight books containing entries Fines extending from 1738-1835 were also found.

Fines and Applications,

1816 and 1822. In two paper bound books. Fines imposed on sheriffs, and rules and proceedings relating thereto.

General Clerks'

Execution Books, 1835-44; two concurrent volumes containing alphabetical entries of the Executions issued by the clerks by whom they were respectively kept.

Judgment Book, 1835-6.

Habere.

See *Returned Writs, Ejectments*.

Inquisitions,

1811, 1813, 1818, and 1821. From 1821-1844 with Judgments on Scire Facias. From 1844 to 1850 with Final Judgments. Index to Writs of Scire Facias and Inquiry, 1821-51.

Insolvents'

Petitions, M., 1778.

Receipts for Insolvents' Papers handed to Insolvent Court under 1 & 2 Geo. IV., c. 59. Two bundles, A to L, and L to Z.

Books of Orders in Insolvent matters, M., 1815-1821. Two volumes. Previous to former date in Peremptory Rule Books, in which committals of Insolvents continued to be entered till 1821, when Insolvent Court was established.

Index to Insolvents, 1810-21. Alphabetical lists of Insolvents, with prisons in which detained, and the dates of their discharges.

Issues,

1800-43. *Index*, 1800-43. When in the progress of a suit issue was joined all the pleadings were gathered from their respective files for the purpose of copying the Record, fastened together, and then placed upon the file of Issues. 1800-3—they are upon the same file as the Final Judgments. From 1804 to 1820—there are term files of Issues and Judgments by Default; of these T. 1804, H. 1805, T. 1806, H. M. and part of T. 1817, were not found. For 1821-43 they form a class by themselves, H. 1821, and H. 1822, to E. 1825, being wanting. There is a roll of Issues for 1821-2.

Reference is supplied by the Index to Pleadings, 1800-21, and a separate "Issue Book," 1821-43.

Issues from Chancery. See *Rule Books*.

Issues and Verdicts,

1790-2 and 1801-38. Bundles containing the issues sent to juries, with the verdict signed by the foreman. They are imperfect.

Judges' Reports, &c.

Nine bundles, from Rules Office, without any arrangement.

Judgment Books,

1661-1850 (removed only to 1760); *Duplicate*, 1661-1850; *Docket Books*, 1730-1738 and 1813-44; *Interlocutory Judgment Books*, 1821-44.

In the Duplicate Series 1693-1717, 1818, and 1841, and in the Docket Books 1814 are wanting. The regular and Duplicate Judgment Books and the Docket Books are all similar, containing alphabetical entries of the Judgments, with amount of Judgment and costs, date of marking, and number on the roll, except those on case rolls from 1760 to 1821. These entries are till 1844 in the name of the person against whom Judgment was marked, *i.e.*, in the name of the defendant, except in a non pros., non-suit, or verdict for defendant. Since 1844 the entries are in the plaintiff's name. The reference numbers to the case rolls 1760-1821 are supplied by the Case Roll Indexes. The older books contain, besides Judgments, entries of Recoveries, Deeds, Memorials, and Recognizances.

The Interlocutory Judgment Books contain entries of Interlocutory Judgments, Judgments on Scire Facias and in Ejectment. After 1844 the latter two classes are entered in the Final Judgment Books, but before 1821 there seems to be no regular entry of them, though the Case Roll Index includes lists of those enrolled.

Judgments on Cognovit.

Judgments entered upon Bond and Warrant of Attorney to confess Judgment. The enrolments of these Judgments form a distinct series of rolls from 1760, which, to facilitate the entering of Assignments and Satisfactions, has not been removed. Frequent reference is made to the Warrants of Attorney, which see.

Requisitions to enter Judgments on Cognovit. Four files. 1844-50.

Judgments by Default.

Filed with Issues 1800-20. See *Interlocutory Judgments*.

Judgments in Ejectment

against Casual Ejector, 1800-50. 1800-21 on files with Judgments on Scire Facias, of which M. 1801, T. 1802, H. 1803, E. 1805, E. T. 1806, and E. 1810, not found. 1821-50 with Final Judgments. 1800-21 reference in Index to Pleadings. For reference to enrolments, see under *Judgment Books*. The Judicial Rule Books might also be searched for this class of Judgment, at least before 1800. Judgments in Ejectment after issue has been joined were filed and entered as Final Judgments. See *Ejectments*.

Judgments (Final),

1800-50. On files one or more for each term. From T., 1850, in portfolios indorsed Summaries of Judgments. These files contain all the Pleadings in each cause in which Final Judgment has been marked with the Judgment Docket, and Attorney's certificate of correct description of parties. Reference in Index to Pleadings, 1800-21. Entries of marking of Final Judgment in the Judgment Books, 1661-1850. Reference number to enrolments, 1760-1821 in Case Roll Index, 1821-50 in Judgment Books. Requisitions to mark Judgment, 1844-50.

Judgments (Interlocutory),

1800-50, enrolments, 1813-46, are those which establish the plaintiff's right, but leave the question of amount for further proceedings. Filed with Issues, under the name of Judgment by Default, 1800-20. 1821-50—they form a series of themselves, from which 1847 is wanting.

The Interlocutory Judgment Books contain marking of these Judgments, 1821-44, together with those in Scire Facias and in Ejectment. The Index to Pleadings contains the reference to the files 1800 to 1821, and a separate volume continues the list to 1844.

The Rolls of Interlocutory Judgments extend from 1813-46. Many, however, are unbound and without covers or indorsement. An Index in one volume extends from 1813 to 1844.

Judgments (Non pros.).

See *Filacer's Rolls*, also *Non Pros*.

Judgments on Scire Facias,

1800-20, on files with Judgments in Ejectment, reference in Index to Pleadings. 1821-44, with Inquisitions, entered in Interlocutory Judgment Books. 1844-50 filed with Final Judgments, and entered in Judgment Books. Index to Writs of Scire Facias and Inquiry, 1821-51. For reference to enrolments of Judgments on Scire Facias see under *Judgment Books*. When a year and a day passed after Judgment without the issue of execution, and in some other cases, a Judgment, upon a Writ of Scire Facias, was necessary before execution could be obtained.

Juries.

Index Book of Clerk of, 1784-1850. Jury Process, 1784-1850. See *Venires*.

Maps.

Two of lands of Grocers' Company in county Londonderry, and Donnybrook, county Dublin.

See *Partition, Writs of*.

Memorials

of Assignments of Judgments under 9 Geo. II.. c. 5, Ir. *Originals*. 1744-1850. *Enrolments*, 1736-E. 1761 and 1786-1850. *Index*. 1736-50 and 1800-38 (the subsequent volume still in Common Pleas).

The files of Original Memorials for 1749, 1750, 1753, 1756-9, and 1761 wanting. Bound in portfolios from 1785. Enrolments to 1761 on separate skins at the beginning or end of the ordinary rolls for each term. From H., 1760, to E., 1761, on Case Rolls. No enrolments found between 1761 and 1786.

Index Books entered alphabetically in the name of defendant in the Judgment, with names of plaintiff and parties to Assignment, and reference numbers. Also entered in Judgment Book, 1736-7.

Nisi Prius,

several small books containing lists of Records and Costs at, 1819-25.

Non Pros.

Judgment (non prosequitur) might be obtained by defendant if plaintiff failed to proceed within limited time after appearance or other step in defence. Files for 1811-12, 1813, 1815-16, and 1848. Enrolled on Filacer's Rolls, 1714-26, 1814-16, and 1819-50.

Index to Non Pros. Judgments, 1815-50 in plaintiff's name. 1815 to 1821 at back of first volume of Index to Outlawry Affidavits.

Non Pros. Executions, 1809-20. One file.

Non Pros. Affidavits, M., 1806. One file.

Notices of Motion,

1808-44, in bundles, very imperfect especially after 1821.

Oaths, Rolls of,

1714-1820 and 1829-36, contain subscriptions of Attorneys and others to the oaths of allegiance, supremacy, and abjuration. The roll of attorneys oaths from 1804 extending to the present time not removed.

Outlawries,

used as Process to Grants in Custodiam as well as to enforce appearance.

A large portion of the records relating to Outlawries is in the sacks and unarranged. The following have been removed from the offices:—

"Ca sas to Outlaw," 1808-32.

Capias utlagatum, 1793 and 1800-35 (several files wanting).

Exigents, 1793, 1798, 1800, 1802, 1804, 1807-12, 1822-5, 1827-32.

Outlawries, 1817-31, 1833-5.

Process to Outlaw, 1815, 1817, 1821-2, 1824, 1835-42.

Filacer's *Outlawry Books*, containing entries of Writs of Outlawry, 1685-1850. 1751-73 and 1781-9 not found. There are also series of similar books for 1665-1711, 1739-1817, and 1847-50, and Indexes to Outlawries, 1743-51, 1773-81, and 1817-35 (with one entry of 1839).

Partition, Writs of,

1767-96. One portfolio containing Writs of Partition, with Inquisitions thereon, and Maps.

Peers and Privileged Persons,

Bills and Writs against, 1807-23, and 1829-49, in bundles.

Pleadings.

See Declarations, Pleas, Issues, and Judgments.

Filing of all pleadings entered in Declaration Books.

Index Books to Pleadings, 1800-21, contain reference to files of Issues and Judgments for that period.

The following six books appear to contain entries of filing of pleadings with reference to the file and roll, extending from 1630 to 1709 :—

1630-1637	No. "3" 1677-81 (imperfect).
"No. 1" 1667- 72	"5" 1690- 5.
"2" 1672- 7	1704- 9

Pleas, Demurrers, &c.,

not proceeded on 1804-50, on term files. They contained all pleadings subsequent to the filing of the Declaration, until removed to the Issue or Judgment files. Reference numbers and date of filing in Declaration Books, with the entry of the declaration to which they belong.

Files for T. 1813, T. 1831, M. 1835, E. 1837, H. E. 1838, T. M. 1839, H. E. 1840, M. 1841, T. 1842, & M. 1844, not found.

Posteas

not proceeded on, next process after verdict, 1834-50 (irregular 1733-1833.) *Index* 1821-47.

Files for T. & M. 1835, H. & E. 1839, H. & E. 1840, T. & M. 1846, wanting.

Posteas and Inquisitions

1791-98, 1800-6, 1816-18, 1822-3, 1825-6, 1827-8.

Quare Impedit.

Files of Pleadings 1815, 1829, 1844-8.

Recognizances

for the payment of damages and costs, one file, 1791-1821.

There are also many enrolled Recognizances, entries of which will be found in the Judgment Books.

Recoveries,

enrolments, 1663-1834 (irregular 1590-1661) *Index*, 1590-1834, *Remembrance Rolls*, 1715-27 and 1746-1834 *Index* 1746-1834, *Writs of Entry and Warrants of Attorney*, 1786-1834, (irregular 1759-84.) Enrolments on the general rolls of the Court to 1759. On Case Rolls 1760-1821, and on Recovery and Deed Rolls, T. 1821-1834.

The first document connected with the Recovery was the Deed by which the party suffering the Recovery appointed a Tenant of the freehold to answer the Writ of Precipe, and limited the estates which should lead the uses of the Recovery. These deeds are usually enrolled from 1656. See *Deeds*. The tenant, sometimes created by a Fine, became the defendant in the nominal action; and against him the Demandant sued the Writ of Entry, or Precipe quod reddat, which occupied in the Recovery a position similar to that of the Writ of Covenant in a Fine. The Remembrance Rolls contain abstracts of the Writs of Entry, with the names of persons called to warranty by the tenant, whether they vouched in person or by Attorney, and, where the proceedings were perfected, "Suffered at bar." Warrants of Attorney to appear for Vouchees, with Writs of *Dedimus potestatem* to the persons before whom they were to be acknowledged are filed with the Writs of Entry. There are also two files of Writs of Dedimus and Warrants of Attorney 1809-15.

Recoveries were abolished by the Act 4 & 5 Will. IV., c. 92.

The Indexes in general use to the Recoveries consist of three volumes :
Vol. I. 1590-1738, contains chronological entries of the Recoveries by counties, with names of Demandant, Tenant, and party suffering, principal denomination, and number on the roll. Vols. II. & III. 1739-1834, contain the counties from A to K, and from L to W, respectively, with

alphabetical lists of persons suffering in each County, the year and term, and the reference number except between 1760 and 1821, when the numbers on the rolls are contained only in the Case Roll Index Books; but as these latter have several times been found incorrect, it is very desirable that the numbers in the Recovery Books should be completed. The Recovery Entry Books, from 1684 to 1797 contain names of Demandant, Tenant, and persons suffering, and principal denominations, entered chronologically by counties. From 1797 to 1834 the names of Demandant and Tenant were not entered. Two most inconveniently large volumes contain chronological lists for each county of the recoveries on the Remembrance Rolls, 1746-1834 with name of Demandant, Tenant, person suffering and Attorney, principal denomination, and (when perfected) "drawn at bar," with reference number to Remembrance Roll. Another volume, Index to same, from 1746 completed to 1788. There are other books containing lists of Recoveries from 1744 to 1821,—irregular. The Index Book to files of Writs of Entry 1786—E. 1821, contains merely a list of the contents of each term file. A similar book extending from 1780-1809 contains also alphabetical lists of Recovery Deeds, and entries of Recoveries 1810-21. A book for entry of such documents as passed the great seal of the Court contains entries of the sealing of exemplifications of Recoveries 1821-35.

Reports

on orders to Tot, of amount due on Interlocutory Judgments 1821-45 (subsequent file extending to 1852 not removed). *Prothonotary's and Master's Reports* to the Court on various matters referred to them with some Charges and Discharges. One portfolio, 1827-50.

Requisitions for entry of Rules,

M. 1844-50 on term files. E. 1845 not found.

Requisitions to mark Judgment.

1845-50 on files.

Requisitions to mark Judgment on Cognovit.

T. 1844-50 on files.

Requisitions to satisfy Judgment.

T. 1844-6 & 1848-50 on two files.

Rolls.

The series of Rolls of this Court are complete from 1663, and contain Judgments, Common Recoveries, Deeds, Memorials, and Recognizances. From 1760 they form two series—Case and Debt. The Debt Rolls contain Judgments on Cognovit, and the Case all other enrolments. In 1821 the Recoveries and Deeds were separated from the Case Rolls, forming a third class, which ends in 1834. The Debt from 1760, and the Case Rolls from 1836 have not yet been removed. See *Judgments on Cognovit*. Before 1663 there are the following seven only, which may be considered as supplemental to the Plea Rolls of this Court brought from the Record Tower.

- I. "Miscellaneous Roll of Elizabeth," containing the enrolments for the 33rd year (1590-1), and for H. 38th to H. 39th (1595-6).
- II. "Miscellaneous Roll, James I.," is the Roll for the 8th year of James I. (1610-11). It has been injured by fire, and Hilary Term is almost destroyed.

The two foregoing rolls contain, at the end of each term, Notes of Fines, and Warrants of Attorney.

III. 16th James I., 1618. Indorsed "1617."

IV. 17th ,, 1619.

V. 1656 }

VI. 1658 } The entries on these rolls are all in English.

VII. 1661, with some skins of 1662.

With the exception of the Recoveries these Rolls are unindexed.

In a return made by the Prothonotary in 1723, and printed by the Record Commissioners, that officer specifies 55 rolls of earlier date than 1660, as then in his possession. Some of the earlier of these may, perhaps, be identified with Plea rolls removed from the Record Tower. But of 26 named, from the accession of James I. to the Restoration, only 5 now remain. The others, probably, were lost before 1791, as in a report of the Prothonotary in that year no mention is made of any roll older than 1660.

Rule Books.

Judicial, 1698-E. 1821. *Peremptory*, 1711-1850. *Court Books*, 1821-50.

The *Judicial Rule Books* were kept by the Prothonotary, and contain all rules for Judgment (whence their name), committals for contempt and want of bail, and in some instances Decretal Orders *in extenso* of the Lord Chancellor directing issues from Chancery to be tried in this Court. By 1 & 2 Geo. IV., c. 53, the duty of entering these rules was transferred to the Clerk of the Rules, and henceforward there is but one series of Books. Volumes for 1723 to T. 1730, M. 1744 to E. 1748, and 1755-62, are wanting. They are unindexed before 1738; M. 1738 is indexed in plaintiff's name; H. 1738-1754 in defendant's; and 1763-1821 in plaintiff's. From 1769 the date of marking Judgment is entered in the margin.

All other rules were entered in the series called till 1821, *Peremptory Rule Books*, and kept by the Clerk of the Rules. From 1821 they are styled *Rule Books*, and contain rules of all kinds. Rules in Insolvent matters entered separately from 1815. See *Insolvents*. This series appears complete, and from 1725 is indexed in causes.

Court Books are rough Books kept in court from which entries were made in the *Rule Books*.

1823-4, 1828, 1831, 1834, H. & T. 1837, M. 1838, H. 1839, H. to T. 1841, H. 1843, not found.

Rules and Orders for the Regulation of the Court.

A book containing a collection of, with precedents for writs, &c., and lists of costs allowable. Compiled, apparently, in the reign of Queen Anne.

Satisfactions,

1819-50 (irregular 1791-1818). *Entry Books* 1821-50.

Warrants of Attorney to acknowledge Satisfaction of Judgments; bound in portfolios from 1819. The books contain chronological entries of the filing of Satisfactions, with defendant's name, plaintiff's name, amount, date, and number of Judgment, and number of Satisfaction. but have no indexes. There are duplicates of these books from 1821-43, and from 1837 to 1844.

Scire Facias.

See *Judgments* on. Files of writs of. from 1803 to '29 imperfect, and from T. 1844 to 1846.

Seal Books,

1802-44 (irregular 1772-93), contain entries of all writs issued from the Court as sealed each day, with county, plaintiff's and defendant's names, nature of writ, day for return, and amount marked (if any).

Since 1844 kept in Writ and Seal Office.

Search Books.

Several old books containing particulars of searches made for Judgments.

Sheriffs.

A book for entering fees on Sheriffs' Warrants of Attorney, 1694-1772.

Fines against Sheriffs, 1816 & 1822. See *Fines and Applications*.

Submissions and Awards,

1790-1843. *Index* 1790-1843. Deeds of Submission to Arbitration, Awards thereon, and affidavits of their due perfection, on files. The subsequent file and index book extend beyond 1850. See *Partition*.

Summaries of Judgments.

T. and M. 1850. See *Judgments (Final)*.

Summons Books,

1822-50. Two volumes, containing entries of summons to attend the Prothonotary or Master when engaged on references, &c. They are entered in Plaintiff's name, and contain date of issue of summons, for what purpose, and at what time to attend.

Tipperary, Records of Palatine Court of

1663-1715. Documents relating to *Fines*, 1664-1715; to *Recoveries*, 1675-1715; *Rule Books*, 1692-1715; *Appearance and Entry Books*, 1691-1712. *Pleadings Book*, 1694-1715.

The Royalties and Liberties of this county were restored by patent 14th Ch. II., confirmed by Statute 14 and 15 Ch. II., c. 20, Ir., conferring upon the Duke of Ormond the right, amongst others, to hold "a Court of Record to try and determine all actions, to levy Fines, suffer Common Recoveries, and to perform all other acts appertaining to a Court of Record."

The Court consisted of a Seneschal or Chief Justice, and a Second Justice, and held four sessions in the year about April, July, October, and February, respectively.

By the Statute abolishing the Palatine privileges, 2 Geo. I., c. 8 Ir., the Common Law documents of this Court of Record were removed to, and to remain of record in, the Court of Common Pleas, in Dublin; the Equity Records being transferred to the Rolls Office, and the Criminal to the Crown Office. Those in the Common Pleas consist of the following:—

35 bundles of Records, Writs. and Pleadings, with a very imperfect chronological arrangement, 1663-1715. If properly arranged, the book of Pleadings, containing alphabetical entries of Declarations, 1694-1715, would be an index to the pleadings for that period.

5 bundles, records of Fines and Recoveries requiring arrangement. A list of Fines, containing parties' names and principal denominations is in the book containing the general lists of Fines, in the Search Room; but there is no means of reference to the Recoveries. The Fines levied in this court, of tenements in the county Tipperary, were validated by a special Statute, 7 W. III., c. 20, Ir.

- 24 Rule Books, apparently quite regular.
- 1 Rough Book duplicate of part of one of the foregoing.
- 7 books containing entries of Appearances and Bail.

Venires.

1784-1850. 1788 and 1847 wanting. Writs of Venire Facias or Jury Process, with panels attached. Clerk of Juries Index Book, 1784-1850. There is one file of Panels for 1753 without Venires.

Warrants of Attorney

to confess Judgment, 1834-50. *Index*, 1834-43 (subsequent volume not transferred). Warrants of Attorney to have Judgment marked on Cognovit, filed under 39th General Rule, 1834. They are frequently referred to as specifying the interest when other than the legal 4 p.c. 3 & 4 Vic., c. 105. *Index* entered in defendant's name, with date of filing and number on file.

Warrants of Attorney

by vouchees for suffering Recoveries, 1786-1834, filed with Writs of Entry. See *Recoveries*.

Writ Books,

1787-1844. These are day books containing entry of the issue of all process for appearance, with county, plaintiff's and defendant's names, amount marked (if any), day for return, and Attorney's name. 4th May, 1794, to 2nd May, 1796, wanting. Since 1844 in Writ and Seal Office.

Writs of Covenant,

1611-1834. See *Fines*.

Writs of Dedimus and Warrants of Attorney,

1809-15. Two files belonging to the succeeding.

Writs of Entry and Warrants of Attorney,

1786-1834. See *Recoveries*.

Writs, Enrolments of

of Capias Pluries, 1844-50. One roll.

Writs (Returned),

1800-50. *Index*, 1800--50. They contain executions and other writs on term files.

The index books contain number of writ on file, plaintiff's and defendant's names, nature of writ, and Attorney's name. The first four, to 1837, are entered by terms, with alphabetical indexes; the remainder are entered according to the first letter in the title of the cause.

Writs.

An irregular series, thus labelled, extend from 1787 to 1837, containing writs of Capias with *non est* returns.

A general digest of the several Indexes, included under the respective heads above, is subjoined.

APPENDIX No. 9.

EXTRACT from REPORT of HENRY F. BERRY, Esq., on the RECORDS of the COURT of QUEEN'S BENCH (Civil Side) REMOVED to the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

On the 13th September, 1870, I received instructions to have removed to this department that portion of the Records of the Civil Side of the Queen's Bench contained in the offices belonging to that Court, situate in the western quadrangle of the Four Courts.

The Rules Office Collection had been transferred in the previous year (Second Report of the Deputy Keeper, pp. 7 and 15).

The collections brought over from this section of the Queen's Bench repositories, namely, those of the Record and Pleadings Departments, were contained in three rooms and a passage on the first landing, and in four rooms on the second. The contents of these rooms had been already entered in four transfer books. Everything so entered was removed to the Record Treasury, except the following:—

Judgment Rolls (Debt) and the Final Judgment Books (their Indexes).

Also the Indexes to—

Affidavits (up to 1824), Declarations, Defences, Consents, Pleadings, Postea, Replevins, Scire Facias, and Writs.

The Debt Judgment Rolls were not transferred, as no order had as yet been made by the judges for the entering of satisfactions, &c., on these Rolls, when they should have been removed from the custody of the Master of the Court.

As by far the larger portion of the Records of the Plea Side, Queen's Bench, is stored in the dome of the Four Courts, and still in charge of the officers of the Court, it was of course necessary that the proper Indexes should be left with those who had the care of it, and through whom the public made searches therein; this will account for the exception made at the time of removal in the case of the Index Books enumerated above.

I shall now proceed to give a concise list (explanatory where necessary) of the Records actually transferred in September last, which will suffice as an ad interim report, until the entire of the Records of the Court can be treated of together.

Account Book (Office), 1808–1822, shows the amount of Fees received, and how same was expended; as in fees to Judges on signing Documents and in paying the Patentees of the Court, &c., &c.

Affidavit Books, H. 1825 to H. 1851.—Both the Ejectment and Common Affidavits are alphabetically indexed in the titles of their causes in this series, each Affidavit being referred to by its number on the file for the Term in which it was made.

Affidavits (Common), H. 1825 to M. 1849.—The parcels for each Term, which vary in number, are tied up together, and each is plainly labelled with the first and last general file number (for the Term) which it contains.

Affidavits (Ejectment), H. 1825 to M. 1850.—These are kept in the same way as the Common Affidavits.

Affidavits for Redocketing Judgments.—These Affidavits, made by the Attorney for the party interested in the Judgment, commence in December, 1828, pursuant to 8 & 9 Geo. IV., c. 35, and end 28th

October, 1844, when the Act 7 & 8 Vic., cap. 90, substituted another mode of procedure in place of the Redocketing of Judgments. As by this Act all books connected with the practice abolished were to be handed over to the newly-appointed Registrar of Judgments, Indexes to these Affidavits are to be found in the Judgment Registration Office.

Affidavits with Warrants of Attorney.—Affidavits by Attorneys, pursuant to 3 & 4 Vic., cap. 105, that Warrants were duly executed, with copies of same annexed. They extend from November, 1840, to May, 1850, and are numbered from 1 to 600. There is an Index to these, but as it extends beyond the year 1850 it is to be found in the Queen's Bench Office.

Assignments of Judgments, Deeds of, 1800-1814.—A few Deeds that appear to have been left in the office when the Memorials were being perfected.

Assignments, Index to, 1844-1849.—One volume, so labelled, which is, of course, an Index to the Memorials.

See Memorials and Index to.

Assignments, Receipt Books for, 1816-1836.—Office Books, containing acknowledgments of Receipt of Deeds of Assignment, after they had been compared with the Memorials.

Attorney, Assignments of Indentures of.—Two volumes—the first from 1733 to 1777, and the second 1777 to 1850—containing the substance of Articles of Attorney's Apprentices. Each volume is indexed.

Attorneys' Petitions, 1821-1837.—Petitions of persons seeking to be admitted Attorneys.

Attorneys, Rolls of.—One Roll (1821 to 1850), indorsed "Roll of Attorneys," containing the subscriptions to the necessary oath of those admitted Attorneys; it also contains subscriptions by Barristers and others to the oaths of allegiance, supremacy, and abjuration. A second Roll, from 1785 to 1864, which is an alphabetical List of Attorneys, chronologically arranged, and may be considered as a means of reference to the oath Roll above, for the period over which it extends, as far as the Attorneys who subscribed it are concerned. There is a third small Roll, indorsed "Roll of Attorneys," which is merely a transcript of the last from 1785 to 1829.

See Oaths of Qualification, Rolls of.

Attorney, Warrants of. *See Warrants.*

Bail Pieces, Rolls of Entries of.—7 Geo. IV., Wm. IV., and Vic. (up to 1840).

Bonds or Writs, 1762-3.—One volume of printed forms, filled up with the nature of the Bond, &c., in particular cases. Indexed.

Cognovits, 1800-1850.—These are almost perfectly regular from 1814; before that date the files for several Terms are missing.

Commissioners for taking Affidavits, Names of.—By an order of Easter Term, 1804, all Commissioners were obliged to bring in their Commissions to be enrolled, and these are books containing their names, entered up by counties. There is one volume from 1804 to 1858, and two others—the one extending from 1804 to 1826, and the other from 1804 to 1838—copies of the first for their respective periods. There are a few original Commissions, with the Seal of the Court attached.

Coolock, Valuation of.—This volume is a Registry of Freeholders in the barony of Coolock, county Dublin, for 1796-7.

Depositions.—A few parcels; various dates.

Error, Transcripts of Records in. These are six enrolments of the proceedings in Error in the following important cases:—

1. *Clanrickarde, Earl of, v. Henry*, 1736.
2. *Devonshire, Duke of, v. Corporation of Youghal*, 1822.
3. *Disney, v. Butler*, 1826.
4. *Downes v. Earl of Drogheda*, 1687.
5. *On Quare Impedit, Attorney-General v. Bishop of Down*, concerning the Deanery of Dromore.
6. *The like as to Clonfert, Attorney-General v. the Bishop and Edward Purdon, Clerk.* 10 Geo. I.

Error, Transcripts of Records in ; parcels.—These extend over the period 1810–41, and each parcel is indorsed with the title of the cause to which it belongs. There are a few Bills of Exceptions for about the same period.

Fee Book.—A schedule of Fees allowed to each officer of the King's Bench under the Commission for the reformation of Fees. 10 Chas. II. Fiats (Judges') for Writs of Capias ad respondendum, grounded on Affidavits which are annexed. 1847.

Judgments (House of Lords) in special cases, cir. 1830–40.

Judgments, Requisitions to enter Case.

„ on Cognovit, Requisitions to enter.

„ Requisitions to enter Satisfactions on.

Each of the above series extends from T. 1844 to M. 1849.

Judgment Books (Final), 24 vols.—Duplicate copies—some of them unbound, and in bad condition. They extend over the period 1814–49. There are also two bundles of portions of Final Judgment Books, cir. 1739–44.

Judgment Books (Interlocutory), T. 1798 to M. 1850.—There is a second set of these from 1821 to 1844. They are the Indexes to the Interlocutory, Ejectment, and Scire Facias Judgments entered on the Case Rolls, and are searched in Defendants' names to the end of Trinity Term, 1844, after which they are indexed in the names of Plaintiffs.

Judgment Rolls (Case), H. 1770 to M. 1850.—These form a perfect series, there being a Roll for each Term. The Interlocutory, Ejectment, and Scire Facias Judgments entered on them are indexed in the series of Interlocutory Judgment Books. There are also the following Rolls:—

1. Case and Debt Judgments, T. 1657.
2. Case Judgments (different Terms), Jas. II.
3. Case Judgments, 32 Geo. II., and
An Issue Roll, 4–6 Geo. III.

Judgments on Sci. Fa., H. E. M. 1829.—With the exception of these three files, all the Judgments on Sci. Fa. are in the dome of the Four Courts.

Memorials of Assignments, 1736 to 1850.—The files for the years 1737, 1739, 1740, 1742 to 1745, 1757, 1766, 1770, and 1848 are missing.

Memorials, Index to, 1844–1849.—This volume is alphabetically indexed in the names of Assignors; it also gives the date of Assignment, name of Assignee, and Term and Number of Judgment.

Memorial Rolls, which contain the enrolments of Memorials of Assignments of Judgments, commence in 1736, and have been transferred up to 1850; the Roll for the year 1757 is alone missing.

Miscellaneous.—Under this head may be classed some draft papers belonging to the Master's Office, arranged alphabetically in the titles of their causes; they include Charges, Discharges, Consents, Bonds, Reports, &c.

Oath of Allegiance, Names of Persons who took, 1 vol., 6th November, 1778 to 1785.—An Alphabetical List, stating name, residence, and calling of each person who came in to subscribe the oath of allegiance.

Oath Book (Roman Catholic), 1793-1851.—An Alphabetical List of Barristers and Attorneys who took the oath of allegiance.—*See also* Attorneys, Rolls of.

Oaths of Qualification, 1691 to 1819.—Six Rolls so indorsed, containing the subscriptions by Barristers, Attorneys, &c., to various oaths. The Roll of Attorneys, 1821 to 1850, appears to be a continuation of this series.—*See* Attorneys, Roll of.

Oath Roll (Sheriffs'), 1790-1794.

Outlawries, Roll of proceedings in, 2 Wm. and Mary.

Pleadings, A miscellaneous parcel of old.

Pleadings, Book of, 1663 to 1669.—An Alphabetical Entry Book of Pleadings kept in titles of causes.

Recognizances, Roll of, 1821-1837.—Enrolments of Bail Recognizances by which parties became bail in suits.

Rolls.—*See* Attorneys.

„ Bail pieces.

„ Error.

„ Judgment.

„ Memorial.

„ Oath.

„ Outlawries.

„ Recognizances.

Satisfactions, or Warrants to satisfy Judgments, 1801 to 1850. A bundle for each year.

Satisfaction Entry Books, 1822 to 1853. There is a Duplicate set from 1822 to 1847.

Satisfactions, Requisitions to enter, T. 1844-1849.—*See* Judgment.

Seal Book, 1846.

Searches, Some parcels of Negative.

Search Books (Negative), 1817-1844.—Thirty volumes of Requisitions for Negative Searches.

Sci. Fa., Judgments on.—*See* Judgments.

Stamp Books (Interlocutory), 1818-1821.—These appear to be transcripts of those columns in the Interlocutory Judgment Books that give the names of Plaintiffs and Defendants, class of Judgment, and date of Entry; but instead of giving the number of each Judgment on the Term Roll, they give the amount of the Stamp.

Summonses against Peers.—A parcel of Writs from 1816-1818.

Warrants of Attorney to enter Judgment.—These commence Easter, 1834; and there is a portfolio of them (in some cases two or three) for each term up to M., 1850. The warrants for each term are numbered consecutively, and they are perfectly indexed.—*See* below.

Warrants of Attorney, Indexes to, 1834-50, entered in Defendants' names.

Warrants of Attorney, with Affidavits. November, 1840, to May, 1850.—*See* Affidavits, with Warrants.

Writs.—Miscellaneous.

The transfer of the above-mentioned Books and Documents was completed on the 27th September, and the collection has been placed in bays 2 E and 2 F of the Record Treasury, except such necessary Index Books as have been lodged in the Search Room for the convenience of the public.

APPENDIX No. 10.

EXTRACT from REPORT of HENRY F. BERRY, Esq., on REMOVAL of RECORDS of COURT of EQUITY EXCHEQUER from OFFICES and VAULTS of RECEIVER MASTER of the COURT of CHANCERY.

On the 9th September, 1870, I received instructions to proceed with the preparations for transfer of the Equity Exchequer Records deposited in the offices of the Receiver Master of the Court of Chancery. They had previously been inspected by Mr. Mills, who had had the presses numbered, and had also made such an inventory of their contents as was possible in their then very dusty condition. These offices consist of six rooms in the south-west corner of the Four Courts building, two of which, I was informed, contained no Equity Exchequer Documents, the one being Master Fitzgibbon's Chamber, and the other an office for the Audit of County Treasurers' Accounts. The Records in the four remaining rooms were contained in forty-nine presses, the greater number of which were packed to the fullest extent, the documents, in most cases, being put up in pigeon-holes. Many of the presses were found open, and this will account for the dusty state of the Records, which was so extreme that it was necessary to have them thoroughly cleansed before they could be entered in the Transfer Book.

Some of the presses were exclusively devoted to Chancery papers connected with cases before the Master, while in others both Equity Exchequer and Chancery were mixed; and in such cases it was necessary to separate each class of Documents.

There were, in addition to the offices, two vaults filled with Exchequer Records; one of which was cleared after the transfer from the offices had been completed; but in consequence of the extreme severity of the weather at that particular time, operations had to be suspended, and the contents of the remaining vault, which consist principally of Writs, Files of Replications, and Papers belonging to the Clerk of Estreats, still await removal.

The Documents transferred will undergo the same process of sorting, &c., to which those already brought over, and likewise belonging to the Equity side of the Exchequer, are being subjected, under the direction of the Assistant Deputy Keeper. Until this shall be completed, Mr. La Touche cannot make his final General Report on the Records of that Court; meantime, I give a List of that portion of them removed from the custody of the Receiver Master, to serve as a supplement to the schedule of the other portions previously transferred.—(Second Report of the Deputy Keeper, p. 87).

Accounts (Receivers'),	cir. 1784 to 1850
Accounts, Indexes to Receivers',	1828-1850
Affidavits,	1695-1800
Affidavits of Service,	cir. 1824-1850
Attorney, Powers of,	cir. 1790-1840
Cant Books,	1729-1845
Cause Papers,	cir. 1800-1850
These include Draft Charges, Discharges, Reports, Orders, &c., &c.	
Charges and Discharges,	cir. 1780-1829
Conveyances (Draft),	1757-1850
Costs (Bills of).	
Deeds (lodged during the progress of Causes).	
Deeds (in Boxes).	

Depositions (Draft),	cir. 1800-1850
Depositions (sealed),	cir. 1700-1809
Deposition Books,	1725-1779
Engagement Books (Ch. Rem.),	1831 & 1835
Entry Books (Ch. Rem.),	1844-1850
Entry Books (2nd Rem.),	1847-1850
Fee Book (2nd Rem.'s. Office),	1835-1842
Leases (Draft) (Ch. Rem.),	cir. 1820-1850
Letting Book,	1844-1853
Order Book (Ch. Rem.),	1844-1850
Order Book (2nd Rem.),	1845-1846
Receipt Books,	1744-1758
Receivers' Books (Orders appointing Receivers),	1784-1850
Rentals (of Lands sold by Ch. Rem.),	cir. 1830-50
Reports,	cir. 1782-1850
Reports of Sale,	cir. 1755-97
Rule Book (2nd Rem.),	1844-1845
Statements (Receivers'),	cir. 1830-1850
Summons Books (Ch. Rem.),	1834-1851
Summons Books (2nd Rem.),	1844-1850
Taxation Book,	1828-1844

In addition to the above, there are about 150 vols. of Merchants' Account Books, Letter Books, &c., lodged as Exhibits in suits. In some cases the title of the Cause is marked on them; but generally there is no means of knowing in what suits they were lodged. Among these is one vol. entitled "Survey of the Estate of Garrett Moore, made in 1720," which is stated to have been lodged in 1837.

In the vault under the offices, with the Equity Documents, were the following, belonging to the Revenue side of the Exchequer; they are labelled in the handwriting of the late Mr. J. F. Ferguson, and they fill up gaps in the series of the same titles brought from the Benchers' Building:—

Estreats (arranged by Counties),	K.-W.
Estreats,	1773-1835
Estreats from K. B., C. P., and Ex.,	1708-95
Estreats from Chan., K. B., and Ex.,	1792-1835
Estreats of King's Silver,	1823-1829
Fines in Com. Pleas,	1821-1823
Fines in Exchequer,	1695-1833
Fines, Schedules of,	1751-1769
Sheriffs' Accounts on Commission.—Cork and Waterford,	1684-1834

APPENDIX No. 11.

MAP of DISTRICT REGISTRIES of COURT of PROBATE.

THE
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OF THE
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OF THE
PUBLIC RECORDS IN IRELAND.

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THE FOURTH REPORT

OF THE

DEPUTY KEEPER OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS

IN IRELAND.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE EARL
SPENCER, K.G., LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND
GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

The proceedings in execution of "the Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," which were pending at the close of the year 1870, comprised—

Extern.

a. Preparation for transfer of the residue of the Records in the charge of the Master of the Court of Queen's Bench, *post*, 1.

b. Preparation for transfer, and part removal of the Records in charge of the Keeper of the State Papers, Record Tower, Dublin Castle, *post*, 2.

Intern.

a. Erection of fittings in the north-western section of the Record Treasury, *post*, 3.

b. Intern-transfer and deposit of Chancery Pleadings, *post*, 4-9.

c. Intern-transfer and deposit of the Statute Rolls Chancery, *post*, 10.

d. Classification and arrangement of Records of the Court of Equity Exchequer, *post*, 11.

e. Classification and arrangement of the Records of the Court of Common Pleas, *post*, 12.

f. Disposal of Deeds affecting the rights of the Crown, *post*, 13, 14.

g. Assortment of Inventions-Patents, *post*, 15.

h. Indexing and Calendaring, 16-20.

1. The Records of the Court of Queen's Bench, heretofore removed, did not include any of those deposited in the dome of the Four Courts. The removal of this collection was arranged to take place in the summer months, when the temperature of the dome would best admit of continued work. The preliminary operation of lettering the repositories and cleansing, occupied portions of the months of May and June; when it was found that unexpected obstacles to the removal were in existence. The

Queen's Bench
Records in
Dome of Four
Courts.

collection is very large, comprising many thousands of bundles. These bundles bore labels indicating what seemed to be a regular and complete arrangement. On opening the bundles, however, it was found that in many cases the labels did not correspond with the contents; that the contents were often unassorted, and of miscellaneous character; and that a complete revision of the arrangement would be necessary before depositing the collection in the Record Treasury. There being ample space, and conveniences for re-arrangement in the dome, it was deemed advisable to conduct the necessary examination and re-entry of the bundles there; but for this purpose the constant presence of an experienced officer was necessary; and this it was found impossible to afford consistently with attention to the public requirements in the Search Department, owing to the vacancies which have continued to exist in the staff of the office. Under this head I have therefore only to report to your Excellency that the preparation for removing the Records in the dome awaits the appointment and instruction of junior clerks, or other assistants, whose attendance in the Search Department will leave a competent officer free to give the work his necessary supervision.

2. The proceedings in the preparation and part transfer of the Records in the charge of the Keeper of the State Papers appear by the Report of the Keeper, to which I beg leave to refer.

3. The fittings for the reception of the Testamentary Collections, which had been completed through one-half of bay 4 R, have been continued through the remainder of that bay, and also through 4 S, and one-half of 4 T. One-half of bay 4 U has been fitted for the reception of documents from the State Paper Office, Record Tower. Those received during the year are contained in carton boxes, which afford much facility of access, with freedom from dust; but are of inflammable materials. I have used great exertions to procure a millboard so prepared as to be unflammable for the manufacture of such boxes, but hitherto without success. Should I ultimately fail in this design, it may become necessary to discontinue the use, within this building, of carton boxes.

4. The intern-transfer and deposit of Chancery Pleadings has been continued without intermission. The number of bundles opened and recast, so as to eliminate the six-clerk arrangement, during the year was 1,363.

5. The placing of the Chancery Answer series, exclusive of that portion prior to 1656, which remains unindexed under the head of "Ancient Pleadings," (*post*, 9) was completed on the 1st September. The Bills series was then taken up, and its deposit commenced according to the same method of arrangement. The number of *fasciculi* in both series made up and deposited during the year was 14,624. The difference between this and the number deposited in the previous year (16,515) is to be ascribed in part to an interruption caused by a strike of the artisans employed under the Board of Works in the preparation of the fittings, and in part to the greater difficulty of folding to a uniform size the Answers of the earlier portions of the series.

6. One hundred and thirty-one Bills have been found in the

Found wrongly
labelled.

Not removed.

Record Tower
State Papers.

Appendix I.

Internal
fittings.

Chancery
Pleadings.
[III. 8-13.]
Recasting of
bundles.
Deposit of
Answers.

Bills.

Pleadings

Answers' bundles and seventy-six Answers in the bundles of Bills opened during the year; besides some Bills and Answers out of sequence in their respective bundles. The references to these Pleadings, which may be regarded as having been practically lost, have been preserved with a view to the formation of an Index to the whole, when the operation shall be complete.

7. In addition to the *fasciculi* so deposited, there were at the close of the year 7,261 *fasciculi* containing the series of Bills back to the year 1804, prepared for deposit. Of eleven and a half bays filled with these series of Bills and Answers in the original deposit in the Record Treasury, all are now emptied of Answers, and four are cleared of both series.

Progress towards further deposit.

8. The repairs of all injured Pleadings of these classes have been carried on simultaneously with their deposit. Four hundred and twenty Answers and four Bills which had been injured, probably in the old process of extracting from their bundles, have been so repaired.

Current Repairs.

9. The series of "Ancient Pleadings" of the Court of Chancery, extending from the earliest date (still unascertained) to the year 1655 inclusive, had remained unindexed, on file-bundles of irregular arrangement and very unwieldy size, until, in 1869, a commencement was made in cleansing and flattening the contents of one file for the inspection of the late Master of the Rolls. This operation was systematically resumed in July, 1871, and has been carried forward during the year without interruption. Each file is subjected to the processes of cleansing, flattening, and re-assortment. Fifty-two files have been so treated during the year. The contents of twenty-eight have been dated and distinguished into their classes, preparatory to a systematic assortment, when the whole collection shall have been cleansed and made consultable. Space has been left for the reception of the Pleadings of this collection; and it is hoped that all will be ready for deposit simultaneously with the complete deposit of the Indexed Bills.

Ancient Pleadings.

[II. 60.]

Progress in cleansing and arranging.

10. The deposit of the Rolls of Chancery has proceeded without interruption. All the Close and Patent Rolls, and a portion of the Statute Rolls, had been placed during the year 1870. Four hundred and ninety-four Statute Rolls have since been added, completing that series. The series of Convert Rolls, twenty in number, has been deposited, and a beginning has been made in the deposit of the Recognizance Rolls of Chancery and of the Rolls of the County Palatine of Tipperary.

Deposit of Rolls of Chancery. Statute Rolls completed.

11. The cleansing, assortment, and classification of the Documents of the Equity side of the Court of Exchequer have proceeded uninterruptedly. The last collection brought in is that from the repositories of Master Fitzgibbon, comprising the documents of the offices of the Remembrancers. The Draft Deeds of this collection have been arranged in uniformity with the other classes. The miscellaneous instruments connected with the Charges and Discharges, being of a nature analogous to the Cause-papers received from the offices of the Chancery Masters, are in process of arrangement in dictionary order. These documents had been made up in three series under the initial letters of the causes.

Equity Exchequer. Classification and assortment of documents

One thousand six hundred and eighty-six cause-bundles, comprising the first and second series, have been arranged during the year; and one thousand three hundred other cause-bundles, being the portion from A to G inclusive of the third series, have undergone a like process preparatory to the casting of the entire collection into one continuous series, in dictionary order.

Common Pleas.
Assortment of
contents of
sacks.

[III. 47.]

12. At the close of the year 1870 there remained of the sacks removed from the repositories of the Court of Common Pleas, seventy-four sacks unopened. Of these, eleven have been found to contain loose and mildewed documents, the arrangement of which would not at present repay the labour. The remaining sixty-three sacks have been opened under the inspection of Mr. Mills, and their contents, amounting to 1,243 bundles, catalogued. These, with the residue of the collection left unplaced at the close of 1870, amounting in all to 2,323 bundles, have been classified according to the indications on their labels, and subjected to careful examination before being introduced into their final places in the general collection. This examination has extended through five hundred bundles, the internal arrangement of which has not, in general, been found satisfactory. In two hundred and seven of these the contents have been put in sequence with labels conformable, and the process is being carried regularly forward. The pressure of Mr. Mills's other official duties obliges me for the present to reserve his Report on the details. Part of this collection consists of five hundred and eighty original Deeds, chiefly leading the uses of Recoveries and Fines, which appear, for the most part, to have remained unclaimed after enrolment. It has been thought advisable that they should be indexed (*post*, 24.)

Depositing
Crown Deeds.

13. The deposit of Deeds affecting the rights of the Crown has been completed for the Customs Department. The collection comprises seven hundred and five Deeds, which have been folded, placed, and connected with their Index Book.

Inventions-
Patents.

14. The duplicate Conveyances of Quit and Crown Rents continue to be received and registered. Thirteen instruments of this class only were received during the year.

Indexing and
Calendaring.
Chancery
Decrees.
[II. 69.]
Chancery
Reports.
[III. 24.]

15. The Inventions-Patents for the year 1871 have been duly arranged in continuation of the preceding series. All the instruments are folded to a uniform size, and those affecting each patent are kept together.

General
Chancery.
[III. 25.]

16. The index to Chancery Decrees removed from the Record and Writ Office has been continued from 1848 to 1850. Owing to the continued vacancies in the staff of the office, it has not been found practicable to proceed with the draft Index to the Chancery Reports, that being a work requiring technical knowledge. The Reports themselves have been placed in dictionary order, according to their years, from letter L to Z, inclusive. This portion of the collection is contained in seventy-five portfolios, and comprises about sixteen thousand instruments. The general detailed Index to the Records of the Court of Chancery remains as in my last Report, but may be considered as substantially complete.

17. Forty-one volumes of the Equity Exchequer Bill Books for

the years 1674 to 1726, and 1784-5 to 1799, have been rebound, with provision for new Indexes, where necessary. In the volumes for 1676-80, 1722, 1750, 1752-3, 1754-5, 1775-7, 1777-8, 1779, and 1781, the Indexes having become much obliterated from age and use, have been transcribed, and such gaps as existed in them have been filled up. Altogether 417 pages of Index matter have been transcribed, and supplied where wanting.

18. The draft Index to the Equity Exchequer Decrees has been collated with the originals, and the engrossment for public use completed.

19. The continuation of the Calendar of the Disentailing Deed Rolls has been advanced from Deed 1,350, enrolled 25th March, 1843 to Deed 1844, enrolled 7th August, 1846. As the sheets proceed, they have been placed in cartons, and made available to inquirers in the Search Room.

20. I beg leave respectfully to refer to what is stated in my Third Report as to the expediency of continuing the Index to the Calendar of the Rolls of James I.; to which I would add that, next to that undertaking, the most useful work of publication in aid of this office, would be the completion of the Calendars of Inquisitions, which remain unpublished for the Provinces of Munster and Connaught.

21. The work undertaken within the year, comprised

Intern.

- a. Repairs of Plea Rolls, *post*, 22.
- b. Indexing and Calendaring, *post*, 23, 24.

Extern.

a. Removal of the portion of the Records of the Crown Office, Queen's Bench, retained in compliance with the wishes of the Lord Chief Justice, *post*, 25, 26.

b. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Records in the charge of the Registrar of Judgments, *post*, 27.

c. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Records of the Court of Chancery remaining in the office of Judicial and Criminal Statistics, *post*, 28.

d. Preparation for transfer and removal of the original Wills and Records of the Consistorial Court of the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glandelagh, and Kildare, *post*, 29-33.

e. Removal of the Records of the former Court of the Manor of St. Sepulchre, *post*, 34.

f. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Testamentary collections of the former Court of Prerogative, *post*, 35-39.

g. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Records of the Established Church Commission, *post*, 52.

h. Depositing Returns of Agricultural Produce in Ireland from 1860 to 1865, inclusive, *post*, 53.

22. On examining the collection of Plea Rolls from the Record Tower which had been done up in brown paper wrappers, it was found that the process of decay which had been checked by their

Equity
Exchequer
Bill Books.
[III. 26.]

Equity
Exchequer
Decrees.
[III. 29.]

Disentailing
Deeds
[III. 33.]

[III. 31, 32.]
Expediency of
continuing
certain publi-
cations left
incomplete
by Record
Commissioners.

Repairs of
Plea Rolls.

removal from their first damp repositories, had recommenced, the centre of almost every membrane exhibiting more or less indication of a dry rot. The parchment also had become so brittle and friable that the Rolls could not be opened without risk of injury. A systematic course of repair of these Records was commenced on the 4th December. From that date to the close of the year seven Rolls containing an aggregate of eighty-seven membranes have been thoroughly cleansed, the parchment restored to suppleness, and all breaches and decaying margins made good with transparent tissue.

Indexing and
Calendaring.
Equity
Exchequer.

23. A general detailed Index to the Records of the Court of Equity Exchequer, has been commenced, and the Bills, Answers, Decrees, and Recognizances of that Court have been entered therein as far as page 107.

An Index to the special classes of Wills mentioned, *post*, No. 33, has been prepared.

Common Pleas
Deeds.
[*Ante* 12.]

24. An Index to the original deeds coming from the Common Pleas, has been commenced under the direction of Mr. Mills. It shows the names of the parties and date and nature of the Deeds; and has been completed to Deed 341, and made, so far, available in the Search Room.

Objections to
removal of
certain classes
of Records.

25. In the earlier proceedings towards carrying the Act into effect, many of the officers in charge of removable Records, expressed serious apprehensions that public inconvenience would result if the removal were carried out to its full extent. Amongst others, the Clerk of the Crown considered it would be expedient to retain a considerable portion of the collection, comprising

Articles of the Peace;
Certiorari, Writs and Returns;
Correspondence and Returns;
Error, Writs and Proceedings;
Indictments;
Informations ex-officio by Master of the Crown Office,
(including Quo Warranto);
Interrogatories and Answers;
Nisi Prius Records and Postears;
Recognizances;
Writs, Habeas Corpus;
Attachments, and Jury Processes from the year 1800; and
Rule Books and
Fee Entry Books from the commencement.

[II. App. 2.]

26. The Lord Chief Justice having concurred in this view, it was thought desirable, in deference to his Lordship's wishes, that the warrant which had previously issued for the removal of the Crown Office Records, should be allowed to remain unexecuted in these particulars; and the excepted documents were left in the custody of the Master of the Crown Office, under due arrangements for issuing attested copies under the seal of this office of such of them as might be called for until it should be ascertained how far the duties of the office might really require their retention. After two years' experience it was found that the apprehended incon-

inconveniences were not likely to arise, and at the request of the Master of the Crown Office, the bulk of the collection so retained was removed to this office on the 22nd March, 1871.

27. The office for Registration of Judgments was established in the year 1844, under the Act 7th & 8th Vict., c. 90, for (*inter alia*) the purpose of providing one place in which alone might be found all judgments which would bind lands in the hands of a purchaser, or give a preference against heirs, executors, or administrators in the administration of their ancestors', testators', or intestates' effects. The re-docketing and revival books heretofore kept in the several Superior Courts of Law, under the provisions of the 9th George IV., c. 35, were by the provisions of this Act, handed over to the custody of the newly constituted Registrar; and the accumulation of books having outgrown the capacity of the office, the Registrar requested that the earlier series might be removed. This has been effected, and the books of re-docket and revival of the Superior Courts of Law, to the end of 1844, together with the several other Records and Indexes in the table of transfers below set forth, now form part of the Record collection deposited here, and consultable under the uniform scale of fees here chargeable.

Office of
Registrar of
Judgments.

28. A residue of the Documents and Records of the Notice Office of the Court of Chancery had been provisionally deposited in the rooms occupied by the Superintendent of Judicial and Criminal Statistics. These have been removed and placed in their proper order with the other parts of the Chancery collection already deposited here.

Chancery No-
tice Office.

29. The first portion of the large collection of Testamentary Records, deposited at the Central Registry of the Court of Probate, which this office was called on to remove, comprised the collection of the Consistorial Court of the Archdiocese of Dublin, occupying one strong room and an outer office and closet in the western wing of the King's Inns building. The strong room being required for the reception of Records of the Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters, sent up from the several District Registries, pursuant to the provisions of the "Matrimonial Causes Act, 1870," it was deemed expedient by the Right Honorable the Judge of the Court of Probate that the entire collection, extending down to the close of the Consistorial Jurisdiction in 1858, should be sent to this office. A request pursuant to the 14th section, 3rd proviso, of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," was accordingly given by the Judge for the removal of the portion which was of less than the age of twenty years. The preparation began on the 19th January, and the removal was completed on the 9th February, 1871.

Testamentary
Records.
Dublin
Consistorial
Collection

removed entire.

Appendix II.

30. This collection being of great extent and importance, comprising upwards of ten thousand original Wills, together with the instruments and books of the Dublin Consistorial Court to 1858, has afforded, *pro tanto*, a means of judging how far inconvenience might arise to suitors of the Court of Probate by reason of the change of place of deposit of its records. It has been found that in one instance only has it been necessary for an officer of the

No incon-
venience ex-
perienced from
entire removal.

Court of Probate to attend here in consequence of the removal (for the purpose of noting an entry of a reference on the margin of a Will Book), and that a search for the purpose of granting administration *de bonis non* has taken place only on one other matter.

Like as regards
Clongill
collection
[III. 64]

and other
Testamentary
collections
already
removed.

31. Next in importance to the Dublin collection is that for the Diocese of Meath; and although, in like manner, comprising everything to 1858, no occasion has arisen for any entry or back search in it, so far as the officers of this department are aware. The same observation applies to the District Registry collections of Cavan, Tuam, and Ballina, which, with the exception of the current Will Books, come down to 1848-1850, and have now been deposited here for upwards of a year without any resulting inconvenience.

Order for
facilitating
Officers of
Court of
Probate.

Appendix III.

32. In order to facilitate such searches and enable the officers of the Court of Probate to make the necessary entries, the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls has issued an order prescribing the course of proceeding; and printed Docket Books in conformity have been prepared and supplied to the Registrar of that Court.

Dublin
Testamentary
Records.

33. One portion of the Dublin Consistorial collection has been specially treated. It formed a separate lot, regarding which no information could be procured, and was found to contain—

Original wills
specially
deposited.

1. Proved Wills which had been duly copied into the Will Books and entered in the Indexes.
2. Wills purporting to have been proved, not copied into Will Books, nor Indexed.
3. Unproved Wills.

Schedules have been made of the several classes, and those of the first class have been placed in their order in the general arrangement of the collection noticed further on (*post*, 40). Those of the second and third classes have been kept by themselves, and specially indexed.

[*Ante* 23.]

Records of
"Manor of St.
Sepulchre."

34. Amongst the collections deposited in the rooms of the Court of Probate were five locked chests, labelled "Manor of St. Sepulchre," of which the late Honorable Joseph Radcliffe, Judge of the Consistorial Court, had been Seneschal. These were removed to this office without any examination of their contents. The keys have since been procured from the solicitor of the late Judge, and the general character of the contents ascertained; but time has not admitted of any arrangement of the collection.

Testamentary
Collection of
former Court
of Prerogative.

35. The Testamentary collection of the former Court of Prerogative formed the subject of the largest and most difficult operation undertaken by this office during the past year. The collection occupied the principal and upper Record rooms and the presses in the Public room of the King's Inns building, and was in a very good state of arrangement and preservation, which much facilitated the preliminary operations of entering and labelling the pieces. These operations began on the 17th February, but owing to the difficulties arising as to the limit of date within which the removal should take place, the removal of that part of it which has been deposited here, was not undertaken until the month of August.

36. An apprehension being entertained, at the Court of Probate, that a removal of the Prerogative Records, which should leave those only of the age of less than twenty years from the making in the immediate control of that Court, would be attended with inconvenience, and that even greater inconvenience would be felt at the District Registry Offices, the contents of which still remain unremoved, if the Act were fully applied to them, the attention of the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls was carefully given to the subject, with a view of obviating as far as possible the occurrence of such difficulties.

37. It appeared to the Master of the Rolls that the deposits at the King's Inns building if, to some extent, left there for the present (as had been done in the case of the Crown Office), might, without any serious expense and with little labour, be from time to time removed to their ultimate destination here; but that, as regards the Country Repositories, it would be necessary, if there were any substantial departure from the limit fixed by the Act, to send officers and servants of this department on several occasions, at renewed expense, to remove the portions left behind in the first instance. His Honor was therefore pleased to sanction the proposal that such parts of the Prerogative Collection as might be deemed necessary for the transaction of the current business of the Court, although of more than the age of twenty years, should be allowed to remain there for the present; but, having regard to the experience of this office in respect of the District Registry collections already removed, and to the question of expense, did not feel himself at liberty to direct any substantially incomplete application of the Act to the remaining District Registries.

38. His Honor accordingly issued his warrant in the usual form for the removal of the Prerogative Collection; but accompanied it with a permission to the Deputy Keeper to abstain, for the present, from removing any original Wills, Will Books, or Act Books dated later than the year 1821, being the limit up to which it was thought by the officers of the Court of Probate that the removal might be effected without serious inconvenience.

39. In compliance with this permission, although everything has been entered and labelled down to the statutable limit, the removal has, in fact, been confined, agreeably to the wishes of the officers and Judge of the Court of Probate, to those parts of the collection of a date prior to 1821.

40. It being the wish of the Right Honorable the Judge of the Court of Probate, that the District Registry Collections should either be divided in the same way, or at least that a year's experience might be had of their actual working, so as to judge how far the apprehensions of inconvenience might be found to be well founded, the Master of the Rolls has deemed it proper to adopt the latter course, and has accordingly refrained from issuing his warrants for the removal of the District Registry collections at Kilkenny, Waterford, Cork, Limerick, Armagh, Belfast, and Londonderry, which remain outstanding.

Apprehended
inconveniences

at Prerogative
Court and
District
Registries.

Master of the
Rolls willing
to leave
warrant in
part unexe-
cuted as to
Prerogative
Collection.

but not so
for District
Registries.

Warrant for
removal of
Prerogative
Collection.
Appendix IV.

Removal
confined to
Records prior
to 1821,
pending results
of experience.

Outstanding
Collections at
Kilkenny,
Waterford,
Cork, Limerick
Armagh,
Belfast,
Londonderry.

Former arrangement of the Testamentary Collections.

Present arrangement.

41. The original Wills included in the collections so brought in, were made up in bundles under their respective letters in several chronological series. There was no internal arrangement of the contents of the bundles. The delay of searching through the contents of each, which might be unimportant in a small establishment, becomes of serious consequence where searching has to be prosecuted on the great scale practised in this office. For this reason, as well as to adapt the collection more conveniently to its place of deposit, it was considered advisable to apply to the whole of the original Wills the method of enveloping now in use in most of the District Registries. By this method the entire collection for each jurisdiction is capable of arrangement in envelopes of uniform size, in unbroken sequence, in dictionary order, so as to become self-indexing, and accessible in a very short time. In general the original Wills are so nearly uniform in size, that one pattern of envelope has been found to suit for all, except in one class of the Wills of the Prerogative Collection which being of unusual dimensions, had been kept in a collection apart from the general series. For these, special cartons, uniform in height and width with the envelopes, have been prepared; and the Wills in question having been re-folded, have been placed in these, and introduced in their regular order in the general series. In the process of placing the Wills in their envelopes it has been found necessary to repair some which had been injured; others have been found out of place; and some few appear at present to be missing; but in general all the Wills corresponding to the names indexed, have been found, and are in good order.

Diocesan Collections placed.

Kilmore and Ardagh.

42. The first collection subjected to this process was that for the United Dioceses of Kilmore and Ardagh, comprising 3,672 Wills. The Wills for each Diocese were found separate, and have been so preserved; being for Kilmore 2,193, and for Ardagh 1,479 Wills. Space has been left in the arrangement for interpolating the outstanding portion of the collection ending in 1858, when the whole will be complete; and capable of receiving a current number which will ensure the preservation of the arrangement in dictionary order.

Tuam, Killala.

43. The same course has been pursued with the collections for Tuam (3,788 Wills), and Killala (626 Wills), coming down, respectively, to 1850.

Meath.

44. The Meath Collection (1,952 Wills), includes everything down to the transfer of the jurisdiction in 1858.

Dublin and Glandelagh and Kildare.

45. Such is also the case in respect of the collections for Dublin and Glandelagh, and Kildare, containing 11,159 Wills. All these have been enveloped, lexiconized, and where complete, have received, or are about being impressed with current numbers.

Prerogative Collection.

46. The operation of placing the Wills of the Prerogative Collection in their envelopes, was about being commenced at the close of the year. The envelopes and cartons for the purpose, exceeding thirty thousand in number, having been indorsed during the autumn and winter.

47. These collections, so far as deposited, are placed in shallow open trays of iron, and may be considered absolutely safe from

fire. The full number of envelopes for a tray is 1,500. The economy of space is not capable of being carried further; and it is believed that by no other method of deposit can a document be so quickly and surely found by the searcher.

48. Together with the original Wills, there has been brought in a very large collection of Bonds, Inventories, and Cause Papers, connected with Testamentary and other Ecclesiastical litigation. A proportion of the Bonds belongs to the Matrimonial Jurisdiction, but they are so intermixed with the Testamentary, as to render their separation inexpedient.

Bonds,
Inventories,
&c.

49. These Instruments for the Dioceses mentioned in Mr. La Touche's Report, to which I beg leave to refer, have been flattened, made up in books, and placed in continuation of their respective collections.

Appendix V.

50. The Index, Books, Will Books, and Grant Books, for the last mentioned Dioceses, have been repaired, and bound in canvas to a size as nearly uniform as could be effected.

51. There still remain in the custody of the Diocesan Registrars of the late Ecclesiastical Courts and in the hands of individual Incumbents of the disestablished Church considerable and very valuable collections, which would seem to be attached by the general words of the Act, vesting in the Master of the Rolls the documents of all courts and public offices prospectively ceasing to exist. But as the language of the Act may admit of question as to some of those Records, it has not been deemed expedient for the present to proceed further than to obtain information as to their general character and places of deposit. For this purpose a circular was addressed to the several Diocesan Registrars, the substance of whose replies will be found in the Appendix. It may be expected that the Custodians will, in many instances, prefer a secure deposit here, with proper reservation of the rights of inspection and transcription, to the precarious custody of successors; and I am at liberty to state that whenever the Custodians of documents of this class may desire to avail themselves of the advantages of this office, the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls will concur in the Acts necessary to give validity to their deposit and to guard the interests of all who may at present be entitled to their use.

Other Diocesan
Collections.
[III. 53.]

Appendix VI.

52. The Irish Established Church Commission having ceased to exist, its records and documents were, on the 18th July, 1871, handed over by the Secretary, and deposited in this office.

Irish Estab-
lished Church
Commission.

53. On the removal of the offices of the Registrar General to Charlemont House, it was found that no room existed at the latter for a large mass of Agricultural Statistics which had been stored at the rear of the former offices in Henrietta-street. It being necessary that possession of the latter premises should be at once given to the landlord, I was applied to to take in the collection in question, being in continuation of those already deposited here amongst the Records removed from the Custom House. They were, accordingly, delivered here, and have been placed in their series in the late Rolls' presses erected in the vaults, awaiting the

Returns of
Agricultural
Produce.

execution of a formal instrument of Permission, by the Master of the Rolls, under the provisions of the sixteenth section of the Act, which is necessary to complete their regular deposit. These returns have been made under instructions issued by her Majesty's Government in Ireland. The earlier portion from 1847 to 1859, inclusive, formed part of the Custom House collection, and so became vested in the Master of the Rolls for the purposes of this office. The portion sent in by the Registrar-General is for the year 1860 to 1865, inclusive; and the residue of the series may be expected to be brought into this depository from time to time. These returns have hitherto been used in their general results, as indicating the progress of the country in material wealth. They are calculated, however, to afford very valuable evidence as to the actual condition in point of tillage and yield of each particular farm in the country from one year to another, and may hereafter afford the means of correcting oral testimony on questions of fact, which may be expected to arise as to the condition of lands in times past, under the Land Act. In the course of five years from this date the earliest of these Returns will be thirty years of age, and on production from the proper custody will prove itself, and an attested copy from this office will have the same effect as the production of the original.

54. The general nature and extent of the collections removed to and placed in consultable order in the Record Treasury, during the year 1871, will appear from the following Table:—

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
STATE PAPER OFFICE, RECORD TOWER, DUBLIN CASTLE.	Military Certificates—	
	Officers' Widows, . . . cartons,	3
	Church Unions, and	
	Changes of Sites of	
	Churches, "	16
	Church Valuations, "	17
	British Orders in Council, "	2
	Irish General Council Orders, "	1
	Proclamations, "	10
	Fees (Public Offices), "	3
	Kings' and Queens' Letters, "	24
	Inventions, "	1
CROWN OFFICE, COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.	Indexes, vols.	5
	Writs, bundles,	22
	Indictments,	8
	Informations,	50
	Certioraris,	20
	Recognizances,	6
	Records of Nisi Prius,	7
	Interrogatories,	7
	Articles of the Peace,	1

Former Repository.	Class of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
JUDGMENT OFFICE.	Re-docketing and Revival Books, Queen's Bench, vols.	20
	Re-docketing and Revival Books, Common Pleas, „	15
	Re-docketing and Revival Books, Exchequer, „	8
	Index to Debtors and Accountants to the Crown, „	25
	Registry of Judgments, „	9
	Register of Decrees, &c., „	4
	Miscellaneous, „	4
	Memorandums of Judgments, &c., files,	88
NOTICE OFFICE, CHANCERY.	Common Notices, vols.	177
	Notices of Motion, „	54
	Common Notice Books, „	23
	Day Books, „	31
	Common Appearance Books, „	12
	Appearance Books, „	6
	Writ Books, „	3
	Summons Books, „	14
	Chancery and Rolls Motion Books, „	10
	Memorandum Books, „	2
	Parliamentary Appearance Books, „	9
	Office Papers, files,	24
	„ bundles,	10
	Miscellaneous, „	
CONSISTORIAL COURT OF DUBLIN.	Original Wills, parcels,	330
	Unproved Wills, „	8
	Bonds, „	203
	Miscellaneous, „	52
	Will Books, vols.	32
	Grant Books, „	34
DIOCESE OF KILDARE.	Wills, &c., parcels,	7
	Will and Grant Books, vols.	8
EXERCISE OF KILDARE.		
EXERCISE OF KILDARE.	Original Wills, parcels,	1921
	Bonds and Commissions, „	309
	Renunciations, „	38
	Affidavits, „	47
	Citations, „	86

Former Repository.	Class of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
PREROGATIVE COURT— <i>continued.</i>	Inventories, . . . parcels,	44
	Miscellaneous, . . . "	139
	Cause Papers, . . . "	5,762
	Grant Books, . . . vols.	57
	Indexes, . . . "	12
	Will Books, . . . "	176
	Rule and Court Books, . . . "	86
	Caveat Books, . . . "	14
	Process and Judges Books, . . . "	28
	Fee Books and Indexes, . . . "	13
	Miscellaneous, . . . "	49
COURT OF THE FORMER MANOR OF ST. SE- PULCHRE.	Unarranged Collection, . . . boxes,	3
EXPIRED ESTABLISHED CHURCH COMMISSION.	1. Armagh, Clogher, . . . 1 bundle,	164
	2. Down, Connor, Dro- more, Newry, Mourne, 1 "	149
	3. Dublin, Kildare, Ossory, Ferns, Leighlin, . . . 1 "	345
	4. Cashel, Emly, Water- ford, Lismore, Cork, Cloyne, Ross, . . . 1 "	287
	5. Killaloe, Kilfenora, Clon- fert, Kilmacduagh, Limerick, . . . 1 "	190
	6. Kilmore, Elphin, Ar- dagh, Tuam, Killala, Achonry, . . . 1 "	175
	7. Miscellaneous, . . . 1 "	44
GENERAL OFFICE.	REGISTRY Agricultural Returns, 1860, bundles,	170
	" 1861, "	170
	" 1862, "	170
	" 1863, "	170
	" 1864, "	170
	" 1865, "	170
		12,570

The disparity which appears on comparing this abstract with that for the last year arises, first, from the interruptions and objections to the full performance of the Act, which I have already noticed; secondly, from the insufficiency of the staff, owing to

STATE OF BAYS
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31ST DECEMBER, 1871.

(Work since last Report shown in Red.)

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existing vacancies; and lastly, from the continued delay in providing for the performance of the duties consequent on transfer, which should be performed here in reference to the unremoved Judgment Rolls of the Superior Courts of Law. Respecting this last subject, I may observe that no difficulty whatever has been experienced in affording the means of making any entries ordered in respect of the Rolls already removed. [III. 41, and Appendix IV.]

55. I append a similar Table of the number of pieces deposited during the year, by way of intern transfer:—

Late Place in Record Treasury.	Description of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
4 M, 4 N, 4 O, 4 P.	Answers in Chancery,	7,364
2 M, 2 N, 2 O, 2 P.	Bills in Chancery,	7,260
3 L, 2 Q, 3 Q.	Rolls of Chancery, { Statute, 494	
	{ Convert, 20	
	{ Palatinate of } 58	
	{ Tipperary, }	
1 H.	Crown Deeds,	405
	{ Dublin and } 10,225	
	{ Glandelagh, }	
	Kildare, 934	
	Meath, 1,952	
	Kilmore, 2,193	
4 Q. {	Diocesan Testamen- 1,479	
	tary Collections,	
	Ardagh, 1,785	
	Tuam, 793	
	Clonfert, 1,300	
	Elphin,	
	Killala and } 626	
	Achonry, }	
		36,888

56. I also annex, as in my former Reports, a printed diagram representing the lower part of the Record Treasury in plan, and the bays on either side of the upper hall in section. The work completed up to the beginning of 1871 is shown in black; the work performed during 1871 in red ink. A reference to the corresponding diagram for 1870 will show the general nature of the internal changes which have taken place during the past year.

57. The fees received for inspections and transcripts during the year 1871 amounted, as per Table, to £454 16s. 6d.

FEES RECEIVED in the YEAR to 31st DECEMBER, 1871.

Date.	Inspections.	Traces.	Folios at 1s.	Folios at 6d.	—	—
1871.					£ s. d.	
January, .	40	—	—	—	2 0 0	£ 4 4
	—	—	72	—	3 12 0	
	—	—	—	1,001	25 0 6	
February, .	61	—	—	—	3 1 0	30 12 6
	—	2	—	—	0 15 0	
	—	—	249	—	12 9 0	
	—	—	—	382	9 11 0	
March, .	61	—	—	—	3 1 0	25 16 6
	—	2	—	—	0 17 6	
	—	—	329	—	16 9 0	
	—	—	—	495	12 7 6	
April, .	51	—	—	—	2 11 0	32 15 6
	—	1	—	—	0 10 0	
	—	—	258	—	12 18 0	
	—	—	—	493	12 6 6	
	—	—	(1 Attendance.)	—	2 2 0	
May, .	94	—	—	—	4 14 0	30 7 6
	—	—	197	—	9 17 0	
	—	—	—	2,287	57 3 6	
	—	—	(1 Attendance.)	—	2 2 0	
June, .	81	—	—	—	4 1 0	73 15 6
	—	—	517	—	25 17 0	
	—	—	—	1,000	25 0 0	
	—	—	(1 Attendance.)	—	2 2 0	
July, .	26	—	—	—	1 6 0	57 0 6
	—	5	—	—	7 8 0	
	—	—	708	—	35 8 0	
	—	—	—	597	14 18 6	
August, .	34	—	—	—	1 14 0	59 0 6
	—	—	252	—	12 12 0	
	—	—	—	340	8 10 0	
	—	—	(1 Attendance.)	—	2 2 0	
September, .	29	—	—	—	1 9 0	24 13 6
	—	—	190	—	9 10 0	
	—	—	—	216	5 8 0	
October, .	54	—	—	—	2 14 0	16 7 6
	—	1	—	—	0 10 0	
	—	—	322	—	16 2 0	
	—	—	—	695	17 7 6	
November, .	74	—	—	—	3 14 0	36 13 6
	—	1	—	—	0 10 0	
	—	—	173	—	8 13 0	
	—	—	—	858	21 9 0	
December, .	49	—	—	—	2 9 0	34 6 6
	—	4	—	—	1 15 0	
	—	—	277	—	13 17 0	
	—	—	—	606	15 3 0	
	654	16	3,544	8,970	—	£454 16 6

The increase, as compared with the amount (£281 17s. 6d.) received for fees in 1870, is due in part to searches and copies in relation to testamentary business, which is peculiar to this office, and only now beginning to be felt; and partly to the gradually increasing extent of general record deposits. In addition to the work shown in the Table, 373 folios of ancient matter have been transcribed in the office, under the order of the Master of the Rolls, in connexion with the Facsimiles of specimens of National Manuscripts of Ireland, *post*, 59.

58. Mr. Gilbert, Secretary of this office, being, as representative of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts, entrusted with various documents from private collections, I have, for the purposes of the Commission, placed one bay of the Record Treasury at his disposal for the secure custody of such Manuscripts.

59. It being deemed proper that a series of specimens of National Manuscripts relating to Ireland should be executed, under the authority of Her Majesty's Government, by the photo-zincographic process at the Ordnance Survey Office, Southampton, as had been done in respect of the National Manuscripts of England and Scotland, the editing of the intended work has been confided to J. T. Gilbert, esq., F.S.A., Secretary of this office. Mr. Gilbert having selected, amongst other materials for his work, specimens from some records in this office, the Master of the Rolls has been pleased to direct that the requisite facilities should be afforded for having photozincographic facsimiles of them taken for the intended publication. Appendix VII.

60. The literary inquiries during the year embraced:—Desmond Inquisitions, Down Survey, Patent Rolls, Act and Bill of Uniformity, Documents relating to Sheriffs of County Fermanagh, Fiants, Wills and Will Books, Chancery Inquisitions, Bills and Answers Chancery and Exchequer, Deeds concerning the Estates of the Attainted from 1701 to 1770; Documents connected with the Cromwellian Settlement.

61. I have to acknowledge the following donations during the year 1871 to the Department:—

From the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury—
Historical Documents—Scotland, 1286-1306—2 vols.

From the Master of the Rolls, England:—
Thirteen volumes of Record Publications.

From the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions:—
Index to Patents and Patentees—1865 and 1866—4 vols.

All which is humbly submitted to your Excellency.

Dated at the Public Record office
of Ireland, Four Courts, Dublin,
this 5th day of March, 1872.

(Signed),

SAMUEL FERGUSON,
Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland.

I humbly certify to your Excellency that this Report is made
by the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, under
my direction, pursuant to the Statute.

(Signed),

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX 1.

To the RIGHT HONORABLE the MASTER of the ROLLS.—THE FOURTH REPORT of SIR JOHN BERNARD BURKE, C.B., ULSTER, KEEPER of the STATE PAPERS in the RECORD TOWER, DUBLIN CASTLE, dated 1st February, 1872.

SIR,—In continuation of my annual Reports with reference to the State Paper Department under my charge, I beg leave to place before your Honor a statement of the work done during the past year, viz., from 1st February, 1871 to 1st February, 1872.

Following the plan of my previous Reports, I will arrange my observations under the three divisions :—

1. Transfer of Documents.
2. Reception of State Papers.
3. Arrangement, Classification, Indexing, &c., of State Papers.

I.—TRANSFER OF DOCUMENTS.

The following collections of Papers in the State Paper Department having been arranged, catalogued, and indexed, have been transferred during the past year to the Public Record Office.

1. CERTIFICATES RESPECTING OFFICERS' WIDOWS.—A collection of documents dating from 1752 to 1763, contained in three cartons (Nos. 39, 40, and 41), and described in my second Report (p. 54) as having been arranged and indexed.

2. CHURCH UNIONS, DIVISIONS, AND OTHER MODIFICATIONS OF PARISHES AND GLEBES, AND REMOVALS OF SITES OF CHURCHES IN THE VARIOUS DIOCESES OF IRELAND.—A series of important Church Records contained in sixteen cartons, numbered from 69 to 84 inclusive.

3. CHURCH VALUATIONS, arranged in Dioceses and Parishes, and comprised in seventeen cartons, numbered 85 to 101 inclusive. This collection refers to the following Dioceses :—Ardfert and Aghadoe, Armagh, Cork, Dublin, Limerick, Lismore, Ossory, Tuam, and Waterford.

4. BRITISH ORDERS IN COUNCIL respecting Irish affairs, dating from 1711 to 1806, contained in two cartons, Nos. 103 and 104.

5. GENERAL ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL IN IRELAND, 1793–1798, comprised in one carton (No. 105).

6. PROCLAMATIONS ENGROSSED OF THE LORD LIEUTENANT AND COUNCIL, 1711 to 1811, contained in eight cartons, numbered from 145 to 152 inclusive. In addition to this collection of Engrossed Proclamations is added a set of Printed Proclamations, dating from 1701 to 1811, and comprised in cartons 153 and 154.

7. LISTS OF FEES chargeable by Admiralty Officers, Arms Officers, Chancery Officers, Crown and Peace Officers, Clerks of Provinces and Counties, Ecclesiastical Officers, Exchequer Officers, King's Bench Officers, by Manor Courts and Municipal Officers, Revenue, Treasury, and various other officers, contained in three cartons (Nos. 156, 157, and 158).

8. A CHRONOLOGICAL SERIES OF KINGS and QUEENS' LETTERS, the earliest dated in 1649 and the latest in 1820, contained in twenty-four cartons, numbered from 159 to 182 inclusive. This collection is fully described in my last Report (p. 32). In addition to this collection I have collected and arranged a series of Royal Warrants for Inventions, which, placed in carton 281, have also been transferred.

II.—RECEPTION OF STATE PAPERS.

During the past year there has been no considerable transfer of documents or books from the Chief Secretary's Office or from the Council Office. The only papers I have received during the past year are some Queen's Letters, which have been added to the current series now forming of Kings and Queens' Letters of a date subsequent to 1853.

III.—ARRANGEMENT, CLASSIFICATION, INDEXING, &c., OF THE STATE PAPER DEPARTMENT.

1. IRISH CIVIL MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE, dating (with the exception of one letter dated 1643) from 1685 to 1799, contained in eighteen cartons, numbered from 20 to 37 inclusive. This collection of letters comprises more than 7,000. These letters were in a state of confusion, without index or means of reference, so as to be almost unavailable for practical use. To remedy the defect I have had the letters arranged alphabetically, according to the writers' names, and in chronological order. The Index not only gives the Correspondents' names but the dates of the letters and the places from which written. This Index will extend to about 250 pages, and is nearly complete. I would direct your Honor's attention to the value of this Collection of Letters, written from all parts of the country, and upon many subjects that then concerned the affairs of Government. This correspondence exhibits the state of Ireland during a period of which there are but few illustrations, and gives a very good insight into the social state of the kingdom.

2. The classification and arrangement in cartons of the collection of MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS to which I referred in my last Report, p. 34, have been proceeded with and the work nearly finished. In point of fact the classification which is according to subjects has been brought down to the heading "Treasury," leaving only the headings under the remainder of letter T, and under letters V, W, and Y to be done. It may be well to append a list of the subjects which this series comprises, they are:—Assizes; Accounts, Public; Admiralty Office; Admiralty Court; Arms; Addresses; Annuities; Banks for Savings; Ballast Office; Borough Compensation; Battle Axe Guards; Chief Secretary's Office, Copies of Letters from; Claims to Peerages; Clerks of Crown and Peace; Corn; Chief Secretary, Correspondence with; Chief Secretary's Office; Census; Conservators; Courts of Law and Equity; Contributions; Council Office; Combination; Commander of the Forces; Coal Yards; Currency; Convicts; Crown Solicitor; Constabulary; Customs; Corporations; Donations, Charitable; Dublin Castle; Dublin Police; Delegates; Deeds; Defence of Ireland; Distress; Excise; Error, Writ of; Emigration; Enquiry Commissioners; Ecclesiastical; Education; Forfeited Estates; Foreign Office; Fisheries; Fairs and Markets; French Invasion; Fencible Regiments; Freemasons; Gunpowder; Genevan Commissioners; Health; House of Industry; Home Office; Institutions, Public; Inland Navigation; Irish Office; Knights of St. Patrick; King's Inns; Lunatic Asylums; Linen Board; Lord Lieutenant; Lords' Justices; Light Houses; Lotteries;

Mendicity ; Miscellaneous ; Magistracy ; Military Secretary ; Military Miscellaneous ; Maynooth College ; Mines ; Militia ; Newspapers ; Orders of Parliament ; Opinions ; Office's Compensation ; Prisons ; Privy Council ; Pardons ; Party Processions ; Printer H. M. ; Paving Board ; Post Office ; Patents ; Parliament ; Private Letters ; Palatines ; Quit Rents ; Quarter Sessions ; Quay Walls ; Returned Letters ; Royal Hospital ; Records ; Roman Catholic Clergy ; Roman Catholic Claims ; Roman Catholic Association ; Ribbonism ; Stationery Office ; Smuggling ; Surveys ; Synods, Presbyterian ; Secret Service ; Sheriffs ; Stock Brokers ; Stamp Office ; Suffering Loyalists ; Special Commissions ; Trade and Manufactures ; Treasury ; Tithes ; Trinity College ; Treasury Vouchers ; Volunteers ; Union, The ; United Irishmen ; Ulster King-at-Arms ; Crown Witnesses ; Woods and Forests ; Works, Public ; Works, Board of ; War Office ; Wide Street Commissioners ; Waste Lands ; and Yeomanry.

3. The Calendar of the BRITISH DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE of the Departments in England with Lord Lieutenant's and Chief Secretary's Departments in Ireland, commencing in 1683, to which I referred in my last Report as having been carried down to the year 1727, and from which (to explain its character) I ventured to make some extracts, has, during the past year been continued to the end of 1732. When I have accomplished an "Index Nominum" to this Calendar—a work I purpose commencing very shortly—documents of the first importance regarding a period of history hitherto deficient in documentary evidence will be available, and so soon as this Index is ready the first portion of the series will be in a fit state—arranged in cartons, calendared, and indexed—for transfer to the Public Record Office.

4. The Index to the Chronological series of KINGS AND QUEENS' LETTERS, mentioned as having been made in my Report of last year, has been fair-transcribed and transferred with part of the collection of Kings and Queens' Letters to the Public Record Office. This Index fills 556 pages. A draft INDEX to QUEEN'S LETTERS, from 1853 to the present time, has also been made.

5. The Calendar to Church Unions, Divisions, and other Modifications of Parishes, and Removals of the Sites of Churches in the Various Dioceses of Ireland, has during the past year been fair-transcribed and an Index made to it. An Index has also been made to Church Valuations, 1672-1815.

6. A general Index to CIVIL BOOKS OF ENTRIES deposited here has been completed and fair-transcribed. Frequent inquiries from the Government with reference to entries in these books rendered the making of this Index a pressing necessity. Besides this work done, there is in hand and nearly completed an Index of Officers Widows' Accounts, 1716-1749—a curious collection, supplying what was often sought for heretofore fruitlessly, the names of officers, their rank, and the regiments to which they belonged.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

J. BERNARD BURKE, Ulster.

Record Tower, Dublin Castle,
1st February, 1872.

APPENDIX No. 2.

Pursuant to the provisions of the 3rd proviso of the 14th section of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," I, the Right Honorable ROBERT RICHARD WARREN, Chief Judge of the Court of Probate, request that the Wills and Records of the Court of Probate, in the charge of John H. Samuels, Esquire, in certain rooms on the second floor of the Western Wing of King's Inns Building, Henrietta-street, Dublin, of less than the age of twenty years from the making thereof, may be removed to the Public Record Office of Ireland.

Dated this 7th day of December, 1870.

ROBERT R. WARREN.

To the Right Honorable the MASTER
of the ROLLS, Keeper, and SAMUEL
FERGUSON, Esq., Deputy-Keeper, of
the Public Records in Ireland.

APPENDIX No. 3.

INSTRUCTIONS, until further order, by the Right Honorable the MASTER of the ROLLS in Ireland, as to the duties to be performed in the PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE, in relation to entries on and fee-free INSPECTIONS of RECORDS of the COURT of PROBATE.

When, in Her Majesty's Court of Probate in Ireland, it shall be necessary to make any entry in writing upon any Record or other document of that Court, deposited in the Public Record Office, on the proper officer of the said Court attending at the Search Department of the Public Record Office, and delivering to the officer there in charge an Entry Docket, in the form annexed, signed by or in behalf of the Registrar of said Court, and on his signing the usual Office Requisition for such record or other document, the same and all proper books in relation thereto shall be produced to him, and he may thereupon make such entry, and also every proper entry connected therewith in any Index or other Book of Reference in said department; and books shall be kept in the Public Record Office, containing lists of all such entries, with the dates thereof, under proper heads. And also, when and so often as any person shall desire to inspect any such record or document, which, by the practice of Her Majesty's said Court, might, if not removed, have been inspected free of charge in the Record Department of said Court; on such person delivering an Inspection Docket in the form annexed, signed as aforesaid, and signing such requisition, the officer in charge of said Search Department of the Public Record Office shall permit such inspection to be had free of charge.

ENTRY DOCKET.

Court of Probate.

To

The Deputy-Keeper of the Public Records :

Mr.

the proper Officer of this Court is authorized
to enter

on

Registrar.

Dublin,

of

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INSPECTION DOCKET.

Court of Probate.

To

The Deputy-Keeper of the Public Records :

Mr.

is authorized to inspect

free of charge.

*Registrar.**Dublin,**of*

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I approve of these Instructions, and order the same to be observed.

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*

17th November, 1871.

APPENDIX NO. 4.

WARRANT for the removal to the Public Record Office of Ireland of certain original Wills, Records, Books, and Documents in the care of MAURICE KEATINGE, Esq., and WILLIAM WILEY, Esq., LL.D., Principal Registrars of the Court of Probate in Ireland, and of RICHARD SMITH, Esq., Keeper of the Records of said Court.

Whereas certain original Wills which were of the age of twenty years from the grant of the Probate thereof, and certain Records, Books, and Documents which were of the age of twenty years from the making thereof, respectively, at the time of the passing of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," being records of the former Court of Prerogative in Ireland, and the custody whereof is by the said Act committed to the Master of the Rolls in Ireland for the time being, are now deposited in the Principal Registry of the Court of Probate in Ireland, at the King's Inns, Henrietta-street, Dublin, under the care and charge of Maurice Keatinge, Esq., and William Wiley, Esq., LL.D., Principal Registrars, and of Richard Smith, Esq., Keeper of the Records of the said Court of Probate, and are more particularly specified in the Schedule hereto. And whereas it appears to me to be to the public advantage that the said Wills, Records, Books, and Documents should be removed to the Public Record Office : Now I, the Right Honorable EDWARD SULLIVAN, Master of the Rolls in Ireland, do hereby, under and by virtue of the provisions of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," and of all other powers and authorities enabling me in this behalf, order and direct the said Maurice Keatinge, Esq., William Wiley, Esq., LL.D., and Richard Smith, Esq., and every other person having or claiming to have such care and charge, to allow all and every the said Wills, Records, Books, and Documents to be removed by Samuel Ferguson, Esq., the Deputy-Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, and his assistants, from their said present place of custody, there to remain under the charge of the Deputy-Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland for the time being until further order.

Dated at the Rolls Chamber, Dublin,
this 27th day of July, 1871.

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*

SCHEDULE by the above Warrant referred to.

ORIGINAL WILLS.

1st Series.

A	78 bundles,	.	.	.	from 1583	
B	153	"	.	.	"	1560
C	138	"	.	.	"	1538
D	113	"	.	.	"	1550
E	61	"	.	.	"	1564
F	105	"	.	.	"	1544
G	96	"	.	.	"	1540
H	123	"	.	.	"	1581
I	70	"	.	.	"	1568
K	81	"	.	.	"	1553
L	97	"	.	.	"	1536
M	141	"	.	.	"	1530
N	63	"	.	.	"	1572
O	65	"	.	.	"	1585
P	101	"	.	.	"	1553
Q	11	"	.	.	"	1610
R	98	"	.	.	"	1581
S	132	"	.	.	"	1548
T	85	"	.	.	"	1582
UV	32	"	.	.	"	1582
W	121	"	.	.	"	1544
Y	15	"	.	.	"	1612
XZ	2	"	.	.	"	1724

to 1846.

2nd Series.

A	14 Wills,	.	.	.	.	1708 to 1839.
B	63	"	.	.	.	1702 " 1843.
C	54	"	.	.	.	1668 " 1844.
D	23	"	.	.	.	1725 " 1834.
E	10	"	.	.	.	1750 " 1843.
F	17	"	.	.	.	1744 " 1837.
G	27	"	.	.	.	1730 " 1837.
H	34	"	.	.	.	1728 " 1843.
I	11	"	.	.	.	1748 " 1821.
K	15	"	.	.	.	1764 " 1846.
L	17	"	.	.	.	1730 " 1845.
M	37	"	.	.	.	1704 " 1846.
N	6	"	.	.	.	1758 " 1839.
O	16	"	.	.	.	1629 " 1835.
P	22	"	.	.	.	1653 " 1830.
R	21	"	.	.	.	1684 " 1826.
S	31	"	.	.	.	1668 " 1846.
T	15	"	.	.	.	1673 " 1832.
U	2	"	.	.	.	1734 " 1824.
V	5	"	.	.	.	1737 " 1808.
W	33	"	.	.	.	1641 " 1837.
Y	2	"	.	.	.	1682 " 1788.

Bonds, A-Z,	.	.	39 bundles,	.	1681 to 1827.
" S-P,	.	.	1	"	1830 " 1841.
Commissions,	.	.	94	"	1769 " 1829.
Commissions and Bonds,	.	.	76	"	1830 " 1846.

SCHEDULE—*continued.*

Renunciations, . . .	20 bundles, .	1700 to 1827.
Affidavits, . . .	15 "	1800 ,, 1846.
Citations, . . .	133 "	1801 ,, 1846.
Petitions, . . .	9 "	1751 ,, 1846.
Mixed Records, . . .	21 "	1668 ,, 1836.
(Bonds, Petitions, &c.)		

1st Series.		2nd Series.	
CAUSE PAPERS.		CAUSE PAPERS.	
From 1660.		From 1800 to 1846.	
A . . .	11 bundles.	A . . .	3 bundles.
B . . .	42 "	B . . .	12 "
C . . .	28 "	C . . .	9 "
D . . .	22 "	D . . .	10 "
E . . .	8 "	E . . .	3 "
F . . .	14 "	F . . .	9 "
G . . .	17 "	G . . .	5 "
H . . .	21 "	H . . .	12 "
I . . .	11 "	I . . .	4 "
K . . .	18 "	K . . .	5 "
L . . .	20 "	L . . .	4 "
M . . .	36 "	M . . .	17 "
N . . .	12 "	N . . .	4 "
O . . .	7 "	O . . .	8 "
P . . .	16 "	P . . .	7 "
Q . . .	2 "	Q . . .	1 "
R . . .	12 "	R . . .	6 "
S . . .	27 "	S . . .	12 "
T . . .	7 "	T . . .	4 "
UV . . .	3 "	U . . .	2 "
W . . .	20 "	V . . .	1 "
Y . . .	1 "	W . . .	8 "
		Y . . .	1 "

Single Papers, A-Y, . . .	23 bundles.
Miscellaneous, . . .	8 "
" . . .	1 sack.
Orders for Commissions, . . .	7 files.
Testamentary Caveats, . . .	4 "
Certificates, &c., . . .	5 "
Commission, &c., Entry Books, .	7 vols.
Grant Books, . . .	79 " 1614 to 1846.
[Wanting from 1616 to 1626; and from 1653 to 1658; and from 1709 to 1712.]	
Administrations Indexes, . . .	17 " 1595 ,, 1846.
Fiat Book, . . .	1 " 1633 ,, 1635.
Will Books, . . .	252 " 1582 ,, 1846.
[Wanting from 1700.]	
Will Index, . . .	3 " 1536 ,, 1810.

Together with all other Records, Books, and Documents of the former Court of Prerogative which at the time of the passing of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867," were of the age of twenty years from the making thereof.

APPENDIX No. 5.

EXTRACT from REPORT of the ASSISTANT DEPUTY KEEPER on
TESTAMENTARY RECORDS from District Registrars of Court of
Probate.

The Wills of the various Dioceses removed from the District Registries of Ballina, Cavan, and Tuam, and from Clongill Rectory, Meath, have been placed in envelopes and arranged in dictionary order. New Indexes have been made to those of Kilmore and Ardagh, and are in progress for the other Dioceses. All testamentary and matrimonial Instruments (of which latter there are but few in these collections), Cause Papers, letters, and miscellaneous Documents, transferred from the same repositories, have been assorted, flattened, and tied in bundles, folio size, and arranged in years in, as far as possible, the same classification and under the same entitlements as when received. The books from these Registries have all been carefully bound and repaired.

I give below a Schedule of the Books and Records removed, under their respective Dioceses, with the first and last dates of the several series :—

ACHONRY, DIOCESE OF (*Vide* Killala).ARDAGH, DIOCESE OF (*Vide* Kilmore).

CLONFERT, DIOCESE OF.

Grant Book	1818-1836
(It contains Copies of Wills, 1840-3, and Lists of Wills, 1663-1848).	
Grant Book	1836-1860
Affidavits	1837-1852
Bonds	1733-1855
Cause Papers	1806-1860
Caveats	1819-1857
Citations	1806-1857
Inventories	1787-1848
Proxies	1811-1857
Renunciations	1779-1849
Wills, Copies of, Probates and Administrations	1757-1844

ELPHIN, DIOCESE OF.

Grant Book	1812-1852
Will Books	1765-1773 and 1841-1852
Index to Wills	1672-1857
Bonds	1795-1849
Caveats	1852-1856
Citations	1756-1856
Inventories	1698-1852
Monitions and Letters of Request	1754-1854
Renunciations	1796-1856
Stamp Office Returns	1813-20 and 1842-51
Wills (Copies of)	1738-1852
„ (Seven found in an old Court Book)	1837-1841
Miscellaneous Papers	1820-1851

KILLALA AND ACHONRY, DIOCESE OF.

Grant Books	1781-1857
Will Book	1799-1841

It contains Bishops' Licences to Curates, &c., 1798-1835.

Index to Wills from	1840
Bonds	1779-1855
Cause Papers	1753-1854
Citations	1767-1856
Inventories	1765-1856
Parish Returns	1768-1792
Renunciations	1721-1857
Stamp Office Returns	1815-1849

KILMORE AND ARDAGH, DIOCESE OF.

Will and Grant Books

- Vol. 1. 2 Sept., 1693-1727 (contains entries of Letters Patent, Leases, and other Instruments, p. 205 to end).
 Vol. 2. 1720-1747 (chiefly Copies of Wills; contains entries of Patents, Leases, &c., p. 319 to end).
 Vol. 3. 1744-1768 (Diocese of Kilmore).
 Vol. 4. 1762-1802 (Diocese of Ardagh).
 Vols. 5-10. 1768-1845 (Diocese of Kilmore).
 Vol. 11. 1839-1857 (Diocese of Ardagh).
 Vol. 12. 1845-1852 (Diocese of Kilmore).

Court Books (Diocese of Ardagh).

3 Vols. 1745-1760, and 2 vols., 1821-1839.

Caveat and Renunciation Book	1839-1856
Registry Book	1765-1785
Affidavits (Executors)	1741-1855
Citations	1720-1850
Depositions (Roche v. Newenham)	1834-6
Bonds	1697-1850
Inventories	1695-1857
Renunciations	1718-1850

MEATH, DIOCESE OF.

Caveat Book 1725-1761 (Court Rules 1708).

„ 1761-1857.

Court Note Books	1814-1856
Court Rule Books	1800-1864
Grant Book	1763-1822
Precedent Book.	
Seal Book (appointments of Proctors)	1819-1849
Will Books 1667-1857 (eight vols.).	
Affidavits	1779-1846
Bonds	1786-1844
Citations	1813-1857
Inventories	1775-1855
Stamp Office Returns	1829-1857
Wills Unproved	1800-1849

TUAM, DIOCESE OF.

Grant Book 1696-1715 (Bishops' Licences, 1722-48).

„ 1822-1840.

Issue and Receipt Books	1783-1822
Will Books	1641-1820
„	1667-1698
„	1698-1745
Index to Wills	1641-1821

Bonds	1744-1852
Cause Papers	1799-1848
Caveats	1765-1847
Citations	1753-1839
Commissions for Oaths	1722-1850
Costs, Taxations of	1734-1816
Inventories	1712-1852
Letters of Request	1750-1829
Monitions	1736-1786, 1830-1, 1845 and 8
Precedents	1764-1824
Proctors' Licences	1823-1842
Proxies	1760-1831
Renunciations	1725-1850
Wills, Copies of	1685-1793
Wills Revoked	1836-8-40
Applications for Grants, &c. (not taken out)	1858-66
Grants of Probates, &c. (not taken out)	1836-52

APPENDIX No. 6.

Public Record Office of Ireland, Dublin,
13th May, 1871.

SIR,—I am directed to request your attention to the provisions of the “Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867,” under which, s. 4, all Records and Documents of any Courts, Commissions, or public Offices thereafter ceasing to exist are placed under the charge and superintendence of the Master of the Rolls for removal to this Office; and by which it is further enacted that, until such removal, the persons having the charge of such Records are made subject to the orders of the Master of the Rolls concerning the same.

You will observe that on the passing of the Irish Church Act this enactment attached the several Diocesan and official Ecclesiastical Records, as from the first day of the present year, with the exception of those relating to the Church Property, which, although destined for ultimate deposit here, are for the present placed under the control of the Irish Church Commissioners; and to this is to be added the further exception arising on the “Matrimonial Causes and Marriage Laws (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1870,” subsequently passed, whereby all Records, &c., relating to marriages or to causes matrimonial are to be transmitted to the Principal Registry of the Court for Matrimonial Causes and Matters.

The Deputy Keeper is aware that this threefold division will render a literal compliance with the directions of the Legislature difficult in practice, the same books sometimes comprising matter referable to each of the three places of deposit, but he trusts that any difficulties so arising may be adjusted by mutual arrangement among the several officers charged with the new custody, and relies on your assistance in obtaining the information necessary for enabling the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls to issue his warrants for the removal of such as shall appear proper for deposit here.

You will, therefore, much oblige by informing me at your earliest convenience what Records and Documents (not being such as relate to Matrimonial Matter or Church Property), of the Courts or public Offices which ceased to exist under the operation of the Irish Church Act on

the 1st of January, 1871, were at that date in your charge, and how disposed of, and as to such as remain in your charge, when it will be your convenience that they should be removed by the servants of this department on a proper receipt and acquittance to you.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. GILBERT, Secretary.

RETURNS OF DISTRICT REGISTRARS.

Date.

1871.

May 18—CAVAN (KILMORE):

Documents connected with Matrimonial Matters, Bishops' Leases, Lease Books, &c., already forwarded to Probate Court and Commissioners of Church Temporalities; the books remaining not voluminous, and will be sent whenever desired. A return (dated 29th May) of books remaining in Registry sent by Registrar.

May 18—KILKENNY (OSSORY):

All documents of a public nature already sent to Court for Matrimonial Causes and to the Temporalities Commissioners; Ecclesiastical Records, as Clergy Title Deeds, &c., only remain. Will shortly communicate the result of an examination of the remaining documents. A further return (dated 24 May) states that there only remained to be transferred to the Public Record Office (1) Copies of Parochial Returns, and (2) some old Ecclesiastical Court proceedings.

May 19—ARDAGH:

All documents relating to Matrimonial Causes, and those required by the Church Temporalities Commissioners, already forwarded.

May 19—ARMAGH:

Enclosing list of Records not likely to be required by the Church Temporalities Commissioners or the Probate Court.

May 20—BELFAST (DOWN AND CONNOR):

Submitting list of documents in Registry, and stating that every assistance would be afforded in the transfer.

May 22—CLONGILL (MEATH):

Arrangement of the Records and documents will be at once proceeded with, and a list forwarded.

May 22—TUAM:

All documents connected with Tithes, Church property, &c., already sent to the Temporalities Commissioners, and Matrimonial documents to Probate Court. A list of the remainder, which relate to Diocesan arrangements and appointments, will be forwarded if desired.

RETURNS OF DISTRICT REGISTRARS—*continued*.

Date.

1871.

May 24—CORK :

Only documents (not relating to Matrimonial Causes or Church property) remaining are the Patents of Appointments by the Government to Church Livings, which will be forwarded if required. Also remain the Institutions to Benefices ; uncertain where these last should be sent.

June 23—DERRY AND RAPHOE :

All Records to which they were entitled delivered up to the Church Temporalities Commissioners and the Probate Court ; remaining Records in Registry consist of—Collations of Clergymen, Institutions to Benefices, Letters Patent to Benefices and Dignities, Visitation Books, and Registry Books.

APPENDIX No. 7.

It is ordered—That the documents set forth in the Schedule hereto shall be sent from the Public Record Office, Dublin, in custody of the Secretary of the said office, to be by him delivered to the Officer of the Public Record Office, London, authorized by the Master of the Rolls in England to take charge of them, for the purpose of having them photostenciled, for the collection of National MSS. of Ireland, at the Ordnance Survey Office, Southampton, but no Record included in the Schedule is to leave the Public Record Office, Dublin, until a certified copy has been made and deposited in the said Record Office.

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*

1st December, 1871.

SCHEDULE.

1. Patent Roll, Antiquissime.—Skin containing article	.	1
2. " " 9 Henry V. " "	.	109
3. Close Roll, 2 Edward II. " "	.	$\frac{12}{418}$
4. " " 3 Henry VI. " "	.	120
5. " " 7 Henry VI. " "	.	(4) ⁸
6. " " 14 Henry VI. " "	.	109
7. Statute Roll, 38 Henry VI. " "	.	5 & 6
8. " " 3 Edward IV. " "	.	68 & 69
(Part 2.)		
9. " " 10 Henry VII. " "	.	8
10. " " 38 Henry VIII. " "	.	1
11. Plea Roll, 28 Edward I. M. 2		
12. " " 4 Edward II. M. 18		
13. " " 8 Edward II. M. 24		
14. " " 10 Edward II. M. 2		
15. " " 11 Edward II. M. 21		
16. " " 11 Edward II. M. 36		
17. Memorandum Roll, 8 Edward II. M. 24		
18. Pipe Roll, 45 Henry III. M. 8		
19. Red Book of Exchequer.—Leaves 32 and 69.		

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TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONORABLE EARL
SPENCER, K.G., LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND
GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

1. At the close of the year 1871 there were pending in this department the following proceedings, under the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867" :—

Extern.

- a. Preparation for the transfer of the residue of the Records in the charge of the Master of the Court of Queen's Bench, *post*, 2.
- b. Preparation for the transfer, and part removal of the Records in charge of the Keeper of the State Papers, Record Tower, Dublin Castle, *post*, 4.

Intern.

- a. Erection of fittings in the north-west section of the Record Treasury, *post*, 5.
- b. Intern transfer and deposit of Chancery Pleadings and Rolls, *post*, 6-12.
- c. Classification and arrangement of the Records of the Court of Exchequer, *post*, 13.
- d. Classification and arrangement of the Records of the Court of Common Pleas, *post*, 14.
- e. Deposit of Deeds affecting the rights of the Crown, *post*, 15.
- f. Assortment of Inventions-Patents, *post*, 16.
- g. Indexing and Calendaring, *post*, 17-20.

2. The vacancies existing in the staff of the office having been filled up (*post* 54), an officer of experience was enabled, in the early part of the summer, to resume the preparation for transfer of the Records of the Court of Queen's Bench, deposited in the dome of the Four Courts. This was a large and complex operation, involving the examination, and in most cases the recasting of the contents of 7,961 bundles. Of these, 1,275 bundles were found of so mixed a character that they could not be methodized before removal, without an undue expenditure of time, and have necessarily been brought to this office to await arrangement hereafter. The assortment and distribution of the remaining 6,686 bundles

Removal of
Records from
dome of the
Four Courts.
[IV. 1.]
Appendix, I.

Time occupied. occupied two officers and three workmen from the 13th of June to the 26th of September. All the workmen in the establishment were engaged in the removal, which was effected between the 27th of September and the 20th of October.

[III. 41, and App. IV. 54.] 3. There still remain in the custody of the Master of the Queen's Bench and of the Masters of the other superior Courts of Law, respectively, the Judgment Rolls referred to in my former Reports. No general regulations have as yet been framed by the Judges for making the necessary entries on these Records after removal. Any entries ordered on Records of a similar nature already deposited here, have been made without delay or inconvenience, and a suitable apartment awaits the officers who may be sent on this duty.

Transmission of State Papers. 4. The Keeper of the State Papers has transmitted a further instalment, comprising twenty cartons of State Papers and three boxes of abstracts of accounts, from the Record Tower, Dublin

Appendix II. Castle. I beg leave to refer to the Keeper's Report on this interesting addition to the historical materials now available here. A copious index accompanies the civil correspondence therein referred to. The collection comprises an original copy of the first Council Book, A.D. 1581 to 1586. The completion of this class of papers will bring together in this office all the principal Public Records illustrating the Administrative and Parliamentary History of Ireland from the civil wars to the Union.

Original Council Book. 5. Eight bays in the north-west section of the Record Treasury have been provided with iron fittings, for the reception of trays similar to those employed in the deposit of the Chancery Pleadings. These are designed for the deposit of the Pleadings of the Court of Equity Exchequer, still remaining in bundles as originally removed.

Elimination of Six-Clerks arrangement. 6. The elimination, from the Pleadings Series of the Court of Chancery, of the Six-Clerks arrangement, has been carried out through 814 bundles of Pleadings; 7,179 books of Bills in Chancery were deposited; and 2,845 books, containing the series of Bills back to 5th January, 1720, were ready for deposit at the end of the year. The Pleadings of the Chancery of Tipperary Palatinate have also undergone examination. Forty-nine bundles of Bills and Answers of this series have been recast, and 300 books, or *fasciculi*, of these Pleadings made ready for deposit.

Tipperary Pleadings. 7. Amongst the Chancery Bills have been found 91 Answers out of place, and so practically lost for purposes of reference hitherto. The whole of those newly-recovered evidences will be catalogued and ready for insertion in their proper places during the current year.

Chancery Pleadings out of place and injured. 8. Injured Pleadings, to the further number of 136, were found amongst the same bundles, and have been duly repaired.

"Ancient Pleadings" series. 9. The process of preparing the "Ancient Pleadings" series for classification has been continued. The contents of 77 bundles have been flattened and cleansed, and the contents of 18 bundles have been dated and distinguished into their classes. There remained 19 bundles only of this collection to be cleansed and arranged at the end of the year.

10. The new methods of deposit adopted for the Pleadings of the Courts of Equity have placed at the disposal of the office considerable quantities of material available for portfolios and other such appliances. Care has been taken to utilise these materials; but the office continues to be embarrassed by the reception of great quantities of books, &c., of no public interest, which, under the powers conferred by the Act, cannot be converted to any purpose of utility. Old materials
utilised.
[III. 51.]
11. Forty-three Chancery Recognizance Rolls have been received and deposited. Fifty-eight Rolls of the Chancery of the Palatinate of Tipperary, containing grants in fee-farm from the Duke of Ormonde of hereditaments in the County of Tipperary, have been consolidated into eight Rolls; and sixty-seven Rolls of the same Palatinate containing miscellaneous grants from the Duke of Ormonde, and Enrolments of Deeds amongst other papers, affecting lands in Tipperary and Kilkenny, have been in like manner consolidated into five Rolls and duly deposited. Rolls, Recognizance of
Chancery, and
of Tipperary
Palatine.
12. The Regalities and Liberties, constituting the Palatinate of the County of Tipperary, were granted A.D. 1328, by King Edward III. to James le Boteller, Earl of Ormonde, excepting the profits of those portions of territory known as the County of the Cross of Tipperary. This latter denomination, enlarged by the addition of the territory of Arra, was included in the Palatinate A.D. 1664, by grant from King Charles II. to James Duke of Ormonde. On the attainder of James, second Duke of Ormonde, in A.D. 1715, the Royalty became extinguished, and it was by the Statute 2nd George I. c. 8, enacted that the several Records of the Courts of Law and Equity of the Palatinate should be transferred to the King's Courts of Common Pleas and Chancery at Dublin respectively. Although heavy penalties were imposed by this Act on the retention of these Records, many of them appear to have been withheld. In particular, the Decrees of the Palatinate Court of Chancery have not been found, nor is there any evidence of their having been returned to Chancery, although the series of Pleadings in the Chancery of the Palatinate is tolerably perfect; neither is there any trace of the Criminal proceedings of the jurisdiction, beyond the entry of the Duke's pardons to certain malefactors on the Chancery Roll. The principal documents forthcoming from the repositories of the Court of Common Pleas, are the Records of Fines and Recoveries. These Records, so far as they go, are now for the first time practically made known to the public; and, as they affect a wide extent of country, which, during the existence of the Royalty, was outside the ordinary jurisdiction of the King's Courts, it has been considered advisable to frame a concise calendar of their contents. This duty has been undertaken by Mr. Mills, under the superintendence of the Assistant Deputy Keeper, to whose Report I beg leave to refer. Palatinate of
Tipperary—
short account
of.

Appendix III.
13. The arrangement of the miscellaneous documents, included under the head of Charges and Discharges, from the Offices of the former Court of Equity Exchequer, has been effected to the end of the letter I. These documents were in three series, which have now so far been cast into one consolidated series in dictionary Equity Ex-
chequer Cause
Papers series.

order. The number of bundles arranged during the year was 1,754, which completes the process of consolidation to letter L.

14. Progress has also been made, in the intervals of other duty, in the arrangement of the contents of the sacks removed from the vaults of the Court of Common Pleas. Fifteen hundred bundles have undergone the first process of assortment, and the contents of 424 bundles have been entered, labelled, and deposited. The arrangement of the entire collection will, it is hoped, be completed during the current year, when a general account of it will be given.

15. Twenty-three Conveyances to purchasers of Quit and Crown Rents were received and deposited during the year. There has not been any receipt of other instruments affecting the rights of the Crown.

16. The arrangement and deposit of the Inventions-Patents has kept pace with the supply from the Patent Office, through the Record and Writ Office of Chancery. The collection is complete for the year 1871, and is arranged, so far as received, for 1872.

17. The calendar of Disentailing Deed Rolls has been advanced from Deed 1,844, enrolled 7th August, 1846, to Deed 2,426, enrolled 13th of February, 1851.

18. The index to the Original Deeds, which were transferred from the Court of Common Pleas, has been completed from Deed 341 to Deed 597, which comprises the whole of the collection.

19. Indexes, in dictionary order, to the Original Wills of the following Dioceses, have been compiled and placed in the Search Room :—

Ardagh,	1,479 Wills.
Clonfert,	803 "
Dublin,	14,888 "
Kildare,	815 "
Killala and Achonry,	634 "
Kilmore,	2,193 "
Meath,	2,405 "
Tuam,	1,650 "

[IV. 52.
III. 31, 32.]
Record Pub-
lishing recom-
mended.

20. I beg leave to refer to the statements in my previous Reports as to the expediency of continuing the publication of the Index to the Calendar of Close and Patent Rolls of James I, and of the Inquisitions of Chancery, and in the Exchequer, left unpublished by the former Record Commissioners of Ireland, and to repeat my opinion to your Excellency that this will be a work of public utility, and will be very welcome to the legal profession.

21. The work undertaken within the year comprised—

Extern.

a. Preparation for transfer and removal of Records in the repositories of the late Dean and Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, *post*, 22.

b. Receipt of supplementary collection from Diocese of Meath, *post*, 23.

c. Preparation for transfer and removal of the original Wills and Records of the Court of Probate for the Diocese of Leighlin and Ossory, respectively, from the District Registry of the Court of Probate at Kilkenny, *post*, 26-30.

d. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Ecclesiastical Records of the Dioceses of Leighlin and Ferns, and of Ossory, respectively, from the Diocesan Registry of Kilkenny, *post*, 31-33.

e. Preparation for the transfer and removal of the original Wills and Records of the Court of Probate for the Dioceses of Waterford, Limerick, Cashel and Emly, and Ferns, respectively, from the District Registry of the Court of Probate at Waterford, *post*, 34-38.

f. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Ecclesiastical Records of the Dioceses of Waterford and Lismore, and Cashel and Emly, from the Registry of the Archdiocese of Cashel, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Waterford, *post*, 47.

g. Preparation for transfer and removal of the original Wills of the Dioceses of Limerick and Killaloe, respectively, from the District Registry of the Court of Probate at Limerick, *post*, 39-40.

h. Preparation for transfer and removal of Ecclesiastical Records of the Dioceses of Limerick, Ardfert and Aghadoe, and Killaloe, respectively, from the Diocesan Registries at Limerick and Killaloe, and private custody at Tralee, *post*, 41-42.

i. Preparation for transfer and removal of the original Wills and Records of the Court of Probate for the Dioceses of Cork and Ross, of Cloyne, and of Ardfert and Aghadoe, respectively, *post*, 43-44.

k. Preparation for transfer and removal of the Ecclesiastical Records of the Dioceses of Cork and Ross, and of Cloyne, from the Diocesan Registries at Cork and Cloyne, respectively, *post*, 46.

l. Preparation for transfer of the residue of the collections of the late Right Honorable Edward Litton, Master in Chancery, *post*, 49.

Intern.

a. Depositing Testamentary Collections, *post*, 50.

22. In my fourth report I took occasion to state that the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls would be prepared to facilitate the deposit here of Parochial and other Ecclesiastical Records which the custodians might desire to deposit in this office, by concurring in the Acts necessary to give validity to their transfer, and by providing access to them for all who are at present entitled to their use. Acting on a previous suggestion to the same effect, the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral, having occasion for the apartment formerly used for their Records for the purposes of architectural alterations now in progress, invited me in the winter of 1871 to take charge of their collections. I willingly complied with this request, and the Master of the Rolls having executed the requisite permit, and prescribed the rules for access to those documents, the collection was, on the 8th of July, 1872, removed to this office. It comprises, *inter alia*, the originals of

[IV. 51.]
Deposit by
Dean and
Chapter of
Christ Church
Cathedral.

Appendix, IV.

Appendix, V.

many of the instruments transcribed into the Register called the "Black Book of Christ Church," which, however, was not handed over to my custody. The collection is now deposited in substantially consultable order, but it has not yet undergone minute examination.

Supplementary
Collection for
Diocese of
Meath.

23. The former custodian of the Testamentary Collections for the Diocese of Meath, already removed to this office, having found a residue of this class of records amongst the general Diocesan Collections remaining in his private repositories, was good enough to put these documents into substantial arrangement, and transmit them to this office, on the 30th May, 1872. They comprise Records of the Consistorial Court from the year 1700, together with a large supplemental addition to the Testamentary Series, and a further parcel of Wills, dated from 1718 to 1853.

Temporary
stay on Exe-
cution of
Warrants for
certain portions
of the Records
of the Court of
Probate.

24. The Right Honorable the Judge of the Court of Probate, continuing to entertain apprehensions of inconvenience in case the Wills from the District Registries should be removed to the full extent prescribed by the Act, it was arranged, with a view to meet the Judge's wishes, that the transfer from the Registries of Cork and Belfast, should, for at least one year, be confined to the Wills bearing date anterior to the year 1821, and that, in the case of the other Registries, the Wills only that were more than twenty years old at the passing of the Act, should be removed; and that, as regards the Will and Grant Books in all the Registries, none should be removed of date subsequent to 1820. The Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls did not feel himself at liberty to issue his warrant for less than the whole twenty-year-old bulk of each collection at the passing of the Act in 1867, but authorized me to leave the warrants for the present unexecuted in respect to so much as above mentioned of the Collections at Cork and Belfast, and further, as regards all collections of books, gave me permission to leave the warrant unexecuted where the series could not be conveniently divided at the date prescribed.

Notified to
District
Registrars.

Appendix, VI.

25. His Honor having issued his Warrants for Kilkenny, Waterford, Cork, and Limerick, notice was given to the several District Registrars of the discretion so vested in the Deputy Keeper, and proceedings in execution of the warrants commenced by preparing the collection at Kilkenny for removal on the 25th May, 1872.

Proceedings at
Kilkenny Dis-
trict Registry.

26. In the allocation of the testamentary instruments made amongst the newly-created District Registries in 1858, the collections of Ossory and Leighlin Diocese had been assigned to Kilkenny, while those of Ferns, although under the same Diocesan union, were transferred to the Registry at Waterford. The Diocese of Ossory being pretty nearly conterminous with the Counties of Kilkenny and Queen's County, and that of Leighlin bearing pretty much the same relation to the County of Carlow, the predecessor of the present District Registrar had adopted the civil divisions in his deposit, and the collection was arranged and indexed under the heads of the "Carlow" Wills and the "Kilkenny and Queen's County" Wills. On examination it was found that

the divergences so occasioned were mainly nominal, and that the correct Diocesan arrangement, under which they were prepared for transfer, had not been substantially impaired. The course taken in dividing this collection, and making provision for the future deposit of that portion left unremoved, being the same as that pursued in the case of the several other collections mentioned below, I shall describe it here as applicable to all.

27. The Wills being taken by Dioceses, such of them as had received Probate subsequently to 1846 were separated and returned to their places of deposit, lists being made of the names of the testators down to the close of the ecclesiastical jurisdiction in 1858. This course was taken in order that envelopes representing these Wills (and destined for their ultimate reception when the whole of the old Diocesan collections shall be ripe for transfer in 1878) should be prepared simultaneously with those for the reception of the Wills removed. By this means the entire collection for each Diocese becomes capable of one arrangement in dictionary order, in which each Will is either found in its proper envelope or known to be still remaining in the custody of the District Registrar.

28. The Wills (including under this designation as well original Wills as, in some instances, monitions for transfer and other vouchers respecting the originals) which were removed from the registry at Kilkenny, for the Diocese of Ossory, are in number 1071, bearing date from 1581 to 1846. Those for Leighlin number 1,630, and are dated from 1690 to 1846. There were left in the District Registry for Ossory 103 Wills, and for Leighlin 43 Wills, proved under the old jurisdiction, of dates subsequent to 1846. The unproved Wills being kept in separate bundles, and it being doubtful whether they come under the terms of the Act, were, in this instance, left in charge of the District Registrar.

29. The Will Books and Act Books removed comprised 5 vols., containing copies of Wills from 1682 to 1813 for the Diocese of Ossory, and 4 vols., containing copies of Wills from 1707 to 1811 for the Diocese of Leighlin, together with 2 vols. for the latter Diocese containing copies of Wills and entries of Grants of Administration from 1666 to 1692. There were left in the District Registry 4 vols. of Will and Act Books, from 1812 to 1858, and 1 vol. of Grants of Administration, from 1804 to 1807, for the Diocese of Ossory, and 5 vols. of Will and Act Books, from 1813 to 1841, for the Diocese of Leighlin.

30. The Indexes to the several collections being comprised each in one volume, which could not be divided, were removed together with the Wills, and having been copied in this office, the duplicates were returned to the District Registrar for use at Kilkenny. Some Testamentary Instruments pertaining to the Diocese of Ferns, which had not been separated in the allocation in 1858, were found amongst the collections and also removed. The detail of the other contents of the collection will be understood from the table of pieces removed, *post*, 52.

31. The Ecclesiastical Records of the United Diocese of Ossory, Ecclesiastical

Records removed from Diocesan Registry, Kilkenny.

Ferns, and Leighlin, deposited at Kilkenny, and in charge of the Diocesan Registrar, were removed at the same time as the Testamentary Collections. They consist of Court Instance Books, Parochial Returns, Citations, Petitions, Cause Matters, and other Instruments, the general character of which will be understood from the table of pieces. They, in common with other collections of the like nature removed during the year, will require further examination and detailed arrangement.

Donation of Ecclesiastical Records (Kilkenny).

32. I have to thank the Rev. James Graves, A.M., Rector of Innisnag, for his liberality in presenting to this office several volumes of Visitation Books of the Diocese of Ossory, which had formerly constituted portion of the above collection.

Time occupied.

33. The work of preparing the Kilkenny Collection, Testamentary and Ecclesiastical, occupied from 23rd May to 3rd June, inclusive.

Proceedings at Waterford District Registry of Court of Probate and Diocesan Registry.

34. The Testamentary Collections of the District Registry of Waterford were arranged under the Diocesan heads of Waterford and Lismore, Peculiar of Lismore, Cashel and Emly, and Ferns. The District Registrar of the Court of Probate being also Diocesan Registrar and Custodian of the Ecclesiastical Records for the same Dioceses, with the exception of those of the Diocese of Ferns, it was proposed to carry out the removal of both collections simultaneously. But the separation of the portion of the Ecclesiastical documents pertaining to the Court for Matrimonial Causes could not be completed in time to admit of this proposal being carried into effect; and arrangements had to be made for the return of one of the officers of this office to bring away the Ecclesiastical Records from Waterford at a subsequent date.

Unproved Wills removed.

35. The preparation for the removal of the Testamentary Collections proceeded as in the case of the District Registry at Kilkenny, save that the unproved Wills being placed in the same bundles with the Wills proved, it was found impracticable to detach them without an undue expenditure of time, and they were accordingly removed. The same course for the like reason had also to be adopted in the subsequent proceeding at the District Registries of Limerick and Cork.

Wills removed and Wills left unremoved (Waterford).

36. There were removed for the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore, and Peculiar of Lismore, 3,204 Wills, bearing date from 1641 to 1846; for the Diocese of Cashel and Emly, 631 Wills, dated from 1650 to 1846; and for the Diocese of Ferns, 4,214 Wills, dated from 1600 to 1846. There were left in the District Registry, for the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore 236 Wills; of Cashel and Emly 131 Wills; and of Ferns 166 Wills of the old jurisdiction, dated subsequent to 1846.

Books removed and left unremoved (Waterford).

37. The Will and Act Books removed for Waterford and Lismore comprise five vols., containing copies of Wills from 1724 to 1818; for Cashel and Emly, three vols., from 1660 to 1813; and for Ferns, three vols., from 1791 to 1820. There were left in the District Registry three vols. of Will Books for Waterford and Lismore from 1818 to 1858, and four vols. of Will Books for Cashel and Emly from 1813 to 1828. There were also left in the same Registry two vols. of Administration Books for Cashel and Emly,

containing entries of Acts from 1846 to 1866; and one for Waterford and Lismore, containing like entries for 1850-1857. The early Records of Administrations in the Dioceses of this district are imperfect: evidence of the intestacies has to be procured by searching the Administration Bonds; but these have been well preserved, and are in good consultable order.

38. The Indexes to the several collections were also in good order, and, for the Will Books of more recent date, existed substantially in duplicate, so that I was enabled to remove to this office the General Index Books for the whole of the Waterford Testamentary Collections complete. The proceedings in the preparation and removal occupied from the 12th to the 14th June, inclusive.

Wills Indexes removed (Waterford).

Time occupied (Waterford).

39. The Testamentary Collections for the Dioceses of Limerick and of Killaloe and Kilfenora were deposited in the District Registry of the Court of Probate at Limerick. Those for Ardfert and Aghadoe, though under one episcopal jurisdiction with Limerick, were deposited at Cork. The Indexes were in very good order, but being the only means of reference to the Wills left unremoved, copies had to be made in this office, and returned for use at the District Registry. There were removed for the Diocese of Limerick 2,074 Wills, dated from 1631 to 1846; and for Killaloe and Kilfenora, 1,786 Wills, dated from 1653 to 1846. There were left in the District Registry for the Diocese of Limerick 188 Wills, dated from 1846 to 1858; and for Killaloe and Kilfenora, 130 Wills, dated from 1846 to 1858.

Proceedings at Limerick District Registry of Court of Probate.

Wills removed and Wills left unremoved (Limerick).

40. There were removed from Limerick Registry two vols. of Probate and Administration Books for the Diocese of Limerick, containing entries of Acts from 1736 to 1838, one Will Book, containing copies of Wills from 1813 to 1815, and two vols. containing Administrations and Marriage Licenses from 1772 to 1795. There were left in the Registry, for the Diocese of Limerick, one Act Book containing entries of Administrations from 1838 to 1851, and two Will Books, containing copies of Wills from 1838 to 1857; and for the Diocese of Killaloe and Kilfenora, one Act Book containing entries of Grants and Administrations from 1791 to 1857, and two Will Books containing copies of Wills from 1828 to 1858.

Books removed and Books left unremoved (Limerick).

41. The Ecclesiastical Records for Limerick Diocese were deposited at the Diocesan Registry at Limerick; those for Killaloe and Kilfenora at the Cathedral Church of Killaloe, under the charge of the respective Diocesan Registrars; and those for the Diocese of Ardfert and Aghadoe were in the hands of the representative of the deceased Registrar for that Diocese at his private residence in Tralee. No division having been made between the matrimonial and other contents of the collection at Killaloe, I communicated with the Secretary of the Court of Matrimony, and, with the consent of the Right Honorable the Judge, removed the whole collection into this office. It was not without some difficulty that the several collections were prepared for removal.

Ecclesiastical Records removed from Diocesan Registries at Limerick and Killaloe, and from private custody at Tralee,

including Matrimonial matter.

The entire proceedings occupied from the 9th to the 23rd July.

Time occupied.

42. I have to thank Captain William Rowan, J.P., of Belmont, Donation of

Ecclesiastical
Records.

Tralee, for adding to the Ardfert and Aghadoe collection two volumes belonging to that Registry which had been found amongst the papers of the late Venerable Dean Rowan.

Proceedings at
the District
Registry of
the Court of
Probate, Cork.

43. In the District Registry at Cork were deposited the Original Wills for the Dioceses of Cork and Ross, Cloyne, and Ardfert and Aghadoe, together with the Testamentary collections for the two former Dioceses, and portions of those for the last, the residue of which are at present to be sought for amongst the Records of the

Wills removed
and Wills left
unremoved.

See of Limerick. The Wills removed, including unproved as well as proved Wills, numbered, for Cork and Ross, 5,373, dated from 1603 to 1820; for Cloyne, 1,866, dated from 1621 to 1820; and for Ardfert and Aghadoe, 1,095, dated from 1619 to 1820. There were left in the District Registry, agreeably to the wishes of the Right Honorable the Judge of the Court of Probate, for Cork and Ross, 1,096 Wills; for Cloyne, 830 Wills, and for Ardfert and Aghadoe, 1,127 Wills, dated from 1820 to 1858.

Books re-
moved and
Books left un-
removed
(Cork).

44. The Will Books removed for Cork and Ross comprised five vols., containing copies of Wills, dated from 1750 to 1818; and for Cloyne one vol., from 1751 to 1821. There is no Will Book in this collection for Ardfert and Aghadoe. There were left in the District Registry, for Cork and Ross, two Will Books, dated from 1818 to 1858, and for Cloyne one vol., from 1819 to 1857. The only Index Books that could be removed from this collection, owing to the remote period at which the division had to be made, were two vols. for Ardfert, comprising the references from 1708. The other Indexes could not be divided, and were necessarily left behind. The preparation and removal of the Cork Testamentary Collection, occupied from the 28th July to 8th August.

Time occupied.

Apprehen-
sions of incon-
venience

45. The experience of this office during the last two years, in reference to the other Testamentary Collections hitherto removed, enables me to state that the apprehensions which have led to the retention of so large a part of the Cork Collection are not likely to be realized in practice. The books prepared for the apprehended emergencies of the Court of Probate, and the order of the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls, of 17th November, 1871, prescribing the duties to be performed by this office in aid of inquirers from that Court, have only been acted on in a few cases of fee-free inspections.

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in practice.
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Ecclesiastical
Records re-
moved from
Diocesan
Registry, Cork,
and from pri-
vate custody,
Cloyne.

46. The Ecclesiastical Records for Cork and Ross were deposited in the office of the Diocesan Registrar in Cook-street, Cork city. Those for Cloyne were deposited in a detached building in the churchyard, in the custody of the clerk of the Cathedral, no representative having been raised to the late Registrar, and no Registrar having been appointed in his room. No division had been made into the portions attached by the Church Act and Court of Matrimony Act, and as it was not expedient to leave the Records longer in irregular custody, I had the entire collection removed. Care was taken in the removal to separate such Records of the Dean and Chapter as were found amongst the other papers, and to hand these to the present Dean. The removal of the Ecclesiastical Collections occupied from the 9th to the 22nd August.

Appendix VII.

Time occupied.

47. Returning *via* Waterford, the servants of this office resumed the preparation for removal of the Ecclesiastical Records, which had been segregated from the Matrimonial and Church Property Records remaining in the Cathedral Church under the charge of the Diocesan Registrar, and completed their removal on the 28th of August.

Ecclesiastical
Collections re-
moved from
Waterford.

Time occupied.

48. In reference to the mixed character of many of the Records of the Ecclesiastical series, I beg leave to observe that the Records of the Court of Matrimony are so mixed with those of Courts of Testamentary Jurisdiction, that a literal compliance with the Acts 33 & 34 Vic., cap. 110, sec. 22, and 34 & 35 Vic., cap. 49, sec. 20 ("Marriage Law (Ireland) Amendment Acts, 1870, 1871"), is impracticable. Considerable quantities of Matrimonial Records from the Dublin Consistory and other sources, have already been received at this office. It is obviously for the public advantage that all the Records of this nature should be in one custody and accessible by one means of search, and this can hardly be effected in a satisfactory manner save by the assemblage of the whole collection here, where so large a portion of it is already in course of arrangement, and where that part of it contained in the old Consistorial Books and other Records of a mixed nature must necessarily remain.

Expediency of
determining
the place of
deposit of the
Matrimonial
Records.

49. In the first removal of the Records from the offices of the late Right Honorable Edward Litton, M.C., a large number of documents was retained for the purpose of winding up certain causes and matters then pending in the office. Subsequently, by an order of the Right Honorable the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, dated 10th May, 1870, an allocation of those causes and matters was directed by which the greater number were transferred to the offices of William Brooke, Esq., M.C., J. J. Murphy, Esq., M.C., and Gerald Fitzgibbon, Esq., M.C. The proceedings in the residue having been substantially wound up, I was requested by the Examiner to remove the remaining books and papers, so as to expedite the closing of that office. The preparations for their transfer were proceeding at the close of the year.

Preparation
for removal of
the residuary
collections left
in Offices of
Master Litton
Appendix VIII.

50. The Wills and Will Envelopes for the Dioceses of Clonfert (803), of Ossory (2,436), and of Leighlin (1,532) have been arranged in dictionary order and deposited in their trays.

The Wills of the Prerogative Collection down to the letter S (33,600) have been arranged and deposited in like manner.

133 bundles of Citations, 15 of Affidavits, 20 of Renunciations, and 44 of Inventories, contained in the Prerogative Collection, have been cleaned, flattened, and assorted under their respective years.

51. No further consignment of Agricultural Returns or Census Papers has been received at this office.

Agricultural
Returns.

Tabular Abstract of pieces removed.

52. The subjoined table shows the number of pieces received and deposited in consultable order in the Record Treasury of this office during the past year.

Former Repository.	Classes of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
DOME OF THE FOUR COURTS.	<i>Records of the Court of Queen's Bench:</i>	
	Judgments in Ejectment, . . . bundles,	125
	Judgment Pleadings, . . . ,	1745
	Pleadings, . . . ,	100
	Cognovits, Affidavits, &c., as per list annexed to Appendix I., <i>post</i> , . . .	3671
	Appearance, Affidavit, Writ Books, &c., . . . vols.	29
	Miscellaneous Pleadings, . . . bundles,	1114
	,, Documents, . . . ,	164
	Pleadings in Error and Special Cases, . . . ,	302
OFFICES OF THE COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.	Declaration Books, &c., included in list annexed to Appendix I., <i>post</i> , . . . vols.	142
RECORD TOWER, DUBLIN CASTLE.	Abstracts of Cash (Excise and Treasury), . . . tin boxes,	3
	Irish Civil Correspondence, . . . cartons,	18
	Law Reports, . . . ,	1
	Officers' Widows' Accounts, . . . ,	1
	Indexes, vols.	4
RECORD ROOM (CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL).	Leases (Dean and Chapter), . . . leather cases,	41
	,, . . . ,	6
	Ancient Instruments, &c., . . . parcels,	17
CLONGILL RECTORY, NAVAN, MEATH.	<i>Testamentary Collection of Diocese of Meath (Supplemental).</i>	
	Affidavits, Appointments, Bonds, Caveats, . . . bundles,	15
	Wills, ,	1
DISTRICT REGISTRY, COURT OF PROBATE, KILKENNY.	<i>Diocese of Leighlin.</i>	
	Wills, bundles,	15
	Miscellaneous, . . . ,	1
	Will Books, vols.	4
	Court Books, &c., . . . ,	4

Former Repository.	Class of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
DISTRICT REGISTRY, COURT OF PROBATE, KILKENNY— <i>con.</i>	<i>Diocese of Ossory.</i>	
	Wills, bundles,	30
	Bonds, "	11
	Inventories, "	13
	Miscellaneous, "	5
	Will Books, vols.	5
	Court Books, "	4
DIOCESAN REGISTRY FOR THE UNITED DIOCESES OF OSSORY, FERNS, AND LEIGHLIN, KILKENNY.	<i>Ecclesiastical Records.</i>	
	<i>Ossory.</i>	
	Petitions and Causes, . . bundles,	132
	Caveat Books, vols.	22
	<i>Ferns.</i>	
	Parochial Returns, . . bundles,	60
	<i>Leighlin.</i>	
	Parochial Returns, . . bundles,	51
	Citations, &c., "	79
DISTRICT REGISTRY, COURT OF PROBATE, WATERFORD.	<i>Testamentary Collection of the Dioceses of Waterford and Lismore.</i>	
	Wills, bundles,	27
	Bonds, "	25
	Inventories, "	16
	Miscellaneous, "	3
	Will Books, vols.	5
	Indexes, "	2
	<i>Diocese of Ferns.</i>	
	Wills, &c., bundles,	37
	Bonds, &c., "	7
	Will Books, vols.	3
	Court Book, "	1
	Index, "	1
	<i>Diocese of Cashel and Emly.</i>	
	Wills, bundles,	22
	Bonds, "	13
	Renunciations, "	2
	Inventories, &c., "	11
	Will Books, vols.	3
	Index, "	1

Former Repository.	Class of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL CHURCH, WATERFORD.	<i>Ecclesiastical Records—Cashel and Emly, and Waterford and Lismore.</i>	
	Court Papers, bundles,	123
	Bonds (Marriage), „	28
	Court Books, vols.	40
	Visitation Books—Cashel, Cashel and Emly, Waterford, Lismore, Cork, Ross, Cloyne, Limerick, Killaloe, Killaloe and Kilfenora, Ardfert and Kerry, „	725
DISTRICT REGISTRY, COURT OF PROBATE, LIMERICK.	<i>Testamentary Collection of Diocese of Limerick.</i>	
	Wills, bundles,	23
	Inventories, &c., „	4
	Will and Grant Books, vols.	4
	Index (comprising Killaloe), „	1
	<i>Diocese of Killaloe.</i>	
	Wills, bundles,	22
	Bonds, „	16
	Renunciations and Citations, „	2
DIOCESAN REGISTRY, LIMERICK.	<i>Ecclesiastical Records of Diocese of Limerick.</i>	
	Visitation Books, vols.	250
	Court Books, „	29
	Rural Deans' Reports, bundles,	11
	Parish Registries and Miscellaneous, „	13
CATHEDRAL CHURCH, KILLALOE.	<i>Ecclesiastical Records of Diocese of Killaloe and Kilfenora.</i>	
	Bonds (M. L.), bundles,	26
	Parochial Returns, „	5
	Affidavits (M. L.), „	20
	Sequestrations, &c., „	5
	Citation Books, &c., vols.	193
DISTRICT REGISTRY, COURT OF PROBATE, CORK.	<i>Testamentary Collection of Diocese of Cork and Ross.</i>	
	Wills, bundles,	50
	Inventories, Administration Bonds, &c., „	77
	Miscellaneous, „	14
	Will Books, vols.	5

Former Repository.	Class of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
DISTRICT REGISTRY, COURT OF PROBATE, CORK— <i>continued</i> .	<i>Diocese of Cloyne.</i>	
	Wills, Bonds, &c., . . . bundles,	22
	Administration Bonds, . . . "	21
	Miscellaneous, . . . "	2
	Will Book, . . . vol.	1
	<i>Diocese of Ardfert and Aghadoe.</i>	
	Wills, . . . bundles,	10
	Court Book and Indexes, . . . vols.	3
	<i>Ecclesiastical Records of Diocese of Cork and Ross.</i>	
	Bishops' Leases, . . . vols.	4
DIOCESAN REGISTRY OF DIOCESE OF CORK AND ROSS, CORK.	Licences for Non-residence, . . . "	1
	Visitation Book, . . . "	1
	Cause Papers, . . . bundles,	6
	Inventories, . . . "	2
	Citations, . . . "	9
	Declaration Rolls, . . . rolls,	23
	Parish Registries, . . . bundles,	41
	Patents and Presentations, . . . "	77
	Mandates, . . . "	83
	Court Papers, . . . sacks,	6
CATHEDRAL CHURCH, CLOYNE.	<i>Ecclesiastical Records of Diocese of Cloyne.</i>	
	Titles, . . . bundles,	140
	Presentations, . . . "	30
	Church Papers, . . . "	21
	Subscription Rolls, . . . rolls,	7
	Glebe-house Papers, . . . bundles,	4
	Institutions, . . . "	77
	Mandates, . . . "	38
	Collations, . . . "	25
	Cause Papers, . . . "	1
	Marriage Bonds, . . . "	27
	Patents, . . . "	44
	Leases, . . . "	2
	Affidavits for Licences, . . . "	1
	Bonds, . . . "	1
HIGH-STREET, TRALEE,	<i>Ecclesiastical Records of Diocese of Ardfert and Aghadoe.</i>	
	Marriage Licence Books, . . . vols.	3
	Fee, Notice, Affidavit, and Consent, Books, . . . "	13
	Faculties, . . . bundles,	1
	Rules and Orders, . . . "	1

Former Repository.	Class of Documents.	Number of Pieces.
RECORD AND WRIT OFFICE, COURT OF CHANCERY.	Petitions, vols.	10
	General Hearings, "	5
	Rolls Motions, "	16
	„ Petition Hearings, "	4
	„ Consent Motions, "	3
	Reports,	16
	Orders,	16
	Decretal Orders, "	2
	Decrees,	3
	Accounts,	29
	Side Bar Rules, "	3
	Attachments,	2
	Masters' Certificates, "	3
	„ Orders,	3
	Consents,	3
	Masters' Returns, "	1
	Affidavits (Incumbered Estates Act),	1
	Certificates,	3
	Affidavits,	104
	Patent Rolls,	2
	Deeds Rolls,	2
	Common Notices, "	22
	Notices of Motion, "	6
	Notice Entry Book, "	1
FROM PRIVATE DONORS,	Visitation Books, &c., "	16
	Total,	10,820

Diagram of
state of bays.

51. I annex the usual sectional diagram of the Record Treasury, exhibiting the present state of the repositories, and distinguishing in red colour the work performed during the past year.

Fees receipt.

52. The fees received for inspections, transcripts, and attendances, during the year 1872, amounted, as per Table, to £569 2s.

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STATE OF BAYS
ON
EAST AND WEST SIDES OF RECORD TREASURY,
31st DECEMBER, 1872.

STATE OF BRITISH EAST SIDE OF RECORD TREASURY, 31ST DECEMBER, 1872.

(Work since last Report shown in Red.)

6 A	Vacant.	6 B	Vacant.	6 C	Vacant.	6 D	Vacant.	6 E	Custom House, Collectors' Accounts, Debentures.	6 F	Custom House, Collectors' Accounts, Miscellaneous.	6 G	Custom House, Accounts, Audit Rolls, &c.	6 H	Vacant.	6 I	Vacant.	6 K	Eq. Excheq. Affidavits, &c. from Chancery Affidavit Office.
5 A	Do.	5 B	Do.	5 C	Do.	5 D	Do.	5 E	Benchers' Building, Revenue Exchequer.	5 F	Law Excheq. Rule Books, Rolls, Inquisitions, Crown Bonds.	5 G	Law Excheq. Cognovits, Judgment Pleadings	5 H	Law Excheq. Judgment Pleadings, Affidavits.	5 I	Law Excheq. Affidavits, Writs, Memorials, Rolls, Warrants, Satisfactions.	5 K	Vacant.
4 A	Do.	4 B	Do.	4 C	Do.	4 D	Part fitted up for Chancery Pleadings.	4 E	Benchers' Building, Eq. Excheq. Bills & Answers, 1648-1725.	4 F	Benchers' Building, Eq. Excheq. Bills & Answers, 1725-1752.	4 G	Benchers' Building, Eq. Excheq. Bills & Answers, 1752-1777.	4 H	Benchers' Building, Eq. Excheq. Bills & Answers, 1777-1806.	4 I	Benchers' Building, Eq. Excheq. Bills & Answers, 1806-1850. Depositions.	4 K	Benchers' Building, Eq. Excheq. Decrees, Depositions, &c.
3 A	Chancery. Answers, Bills, 1751-1805.	3 B	Chancery. Answers, 1655-1671. Bills, 1805-1869.	3 C	Chancery. Answers, 1671-1756.	3 D	Chancery. Close and Patent, Deed, Statute, Palatine Rolls, Crown Deeds, &c.	3 E	Comm. Pleas, Rolls, Judgment (Case), Recovery, Memorials, &c.	3 F	Comm. Pleas, Fines, Writs of Entry, Warrants, Satisfactions, Memorials, &c.	3 G	Common Pleas, Pleadings.	3 H	Common Pleas, Affidavits, Writs.	3 I	Common Pleas, Records of Court Palatine, Tipperary.	3 K	Vacant.
2 A	Chancery. Answers, 1756-85.	2 B	Chancery. Answers, 1785-1814.	2 C	Chancery. Answers, 1814-50.	2 D	Chancery. Fitted up for Decrees and Rolls.	2 E	Queen's Bench. Affidavits, Cognovits, Satisfactions, &c.	2 F	Queen's Bench. Crown Office, Rules Office.	2 G	Queen's Bench. Case, Judgment Rolls, Memorials, &c.	2 H	Vacant.	2 I	Eq. Excheq. Cause Papers.	2 K	Eq. Excheq. Cause Papers.
1 A	Vacant.	1 B	Vacant.	1 C	Vacant.	1 D	Vacant.	1 E	Custom House, Collections of Auditor-General, Surveyor-General, Clerk of Forfeitures.	1 F	Custom House, Twopenny Books, Teller and Vice-Treasurer.	1 G	Custom House, Vice-Treasurer, First Fruits, Relief Commissions, &c.	1 H	Vacant.	1 I	Testamentary Collection. Will Books, Grant Books, Bonds, &c.	1 K	Benchers' Building, Eq. Excheq. Books. Decrees enrolled Rev. Excheq. Books.
A	Chancery. Deeds Boxes, Brooke.	B	Chancery. Cause Papers.	C	Chancery. Deeds Boxes, Litton.	D	Chancery. Deeds Boxes, Litton. Usur's Collection. Cause Papers, Litton.	E	Chancery. Cause Papers, Litton. Deeds Boxes, Murphy.	F	Chancery. Deeds Boxes, Murphy.	G	Fitted up with Presses.	H	Fitted up with Presses.	I	Fitted up with Presses.	K	Fitted up with Presses.

Census, 1841.

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STATE OF KAYS ON WEST SIDE OF RECORD TREASURY 31ST DECEMBER, 1872.

(Work since last Report shown in Red.)

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6 L Hist. MSS. Commission.	6 M Sacks from Rolls.	6 N Vacant.	6 O Vacant.	6 P Vacant.	6 Q Vacant.	6 R Vacant.	6 S Vacant.	6 T Vacant.	6 U Vacant.		
5 L Chancery. Depositions in-Chief.	5 M Do.	5 N Do.	5 O Record Tower Parliamentary Collection.	5 P Chancery. Ancient Pleadings to A.D. 1624.	5 Q Do.	5 R Do.	5 S Do.	5 T Do.	5 U Do.		
4 L Chancery. Transmisses.	4 M Chancery. Ancient Pleadings, 1624-1655. Bills & Answers, 1655-1686.	4 N Chancery, Bills, 1687-1716.	4 O Vacant.	4 P Vacant.	4 Q Court of Prerogative. Wills, Will and Grant Books, Bonds, Cause Papers, &c.	4 R Prerogative and Dicoean Testamentary Collections.	4 S Fitted up for Testamentary Collection.	4 T Fitted up for Testamentary Collection.	4 U Record Tower, Dublin Castle. The State Papers.		
3 L Chancery. Deceit Rolls.	3 M Queen's Bench Dome Collection.	3 N Queen's Bench Dome Collection.	3 O Queen's Bench Dome Collection.	3 P Queen's Bench Dome Collection.	3 Q Chancery. Recognizances.	3 R Fitted up for Eg. Excheq. Pleadings.	3 S Fitted up for Eg. Excheq. Pleadings.	3 T Fitted up for Eg. Excheq. Pleadings.	3 U Fitted up for Eg. Excheq. Pleadings.		
2 L Chancery. Offices of Receiver-Master.	2 M Vacant.	2 N Vacant.	2 O Vacant.	2 P Vacant.	2 Q Chancery. Inquisitions. Long Pleadings. Tippecary Pleadings. Record Tower Plea Rolls. Pipe Rolls.	2 R Do.	2 S Do.	2 T Do.	2 U Do.		
1 L Chancery. Finis for Letters Patent.	1 M Chancery. Registrars' Office.	1 N Chancery. Registrars' Office. Admiralty Office.	1 O Chancery. Affidavit Office. Notice "	1 P Chancery. Inventions. Patents as far as received, to December, 1872.	1 Q Chancery. Commissions. Hanaper Office Collection. Record Tower, Record Commission Collection.	1 R Do.	1 S Do.	1 T Do.	1 U Do.		
1 L Crown and Hanaper. Sacks. Custom House. Census, 1851.	1 M Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Census, 1851.	1 N Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Census, 1851. Agricultural Returns, 1817.	1 O Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Agricultural Returns, 1847-1853.	1 P Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Agricultural Returns, 1855-1858.	1 Q Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Agricultural Returns, 1859. Exchequer Vouchers, 1861-1748.	1 R Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Exchequer Vouchers, 1748-1815.	1 S Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Exch. Vouchers, 1815-1837. Agricultural Returns, 1860-1867.	1 T Custom House. Imprest Accounts. Agricultural Returns, 1862-1865.	1 U Agricultural Returns, 1865.		

VAULTS.

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FEES RECEIVED in the YEAR to 31st DECEMBER, 1872.

Date.	Inspections.	Tracos.	Folios at 1s.	Folios at 6d.	—	—
1872.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.
January, .	63	—	—	—	3 3 0	
	—	1	—	—	0 7 6	
	—	—	27	—	1 7 0	
	—	—	—	1,342	33 11 0	
February, .	87	—	—	—	4 7 0	38 8 6
	—	1	—	—	0 5 0	
	—	—	69	—	3 9 0	
	—	—	—	717	17 18 6	
March, .	51	—	—	—	2 11 0	25 19 6
	—	1	—	—	0 10 0	
	—	—	591	—	29 11 0	
	—	—	—	1,556	38 18 0	
	—	—	(1 Attendance.)	—	2 2 0	
April, .	70	—	—	—	3 10 0	73 12 0
	—	1	—	—	0 5 0	
	—	—	100	—	5 0 0	
	—	—	—	912	22 16 0	
May, .	57	—	—	—	2 17 0	31 11 0
	—	6	—	—	5 15 0	
	—	—	294	—	14 14 0	
	—	—	—	1,687	42 3 6	
June, .	59	—	—	—	2 19 0	65 9 6
	—	3	—	—	1 5 0	
	—	—	1,157	—	57 17 0	
	—	—	—	694	17 7 0	
	—	—	(1 Attendance.)	—	2 2 0	
July, .	72	—	—	—	3 12 0	81 10 0
	—	3	—	—	1 0 0	
	—	—	507	—	25 7 0	
	—	—	—	1,423	35 11 6	
	—	—	(3 Attendances.)	—	6 6 0	
August, .	32	—	—	—	1 12 0	71 16 6
	—	—	250	—	12 10 0	
	—	—	—	698	17 9 0	
September, .	33	—	—	—	1 18 0	31 11 0
	—	2	—	—	1 0 0	
	—	—	317	—	15 17 0	
	—	—	—	935	23 7 6	
October, .	68	—	—	—	3 8 0	42 2 6
	—	—	392	—	19 12 0	
	—	—	—	1,090	27 5 0	
November, .	39	—	—	—	1 19 0	50 5 0
	—	3	—	—	1 10 0	
	—	—	150	—	7 10 0	
	—	—	—	526	13 3 0	
December, .	47	—	—	—	2 7 0	24 2 0
	—	1	—	—	0 10 0	
	—	—	273	—	13 13 0	
	—	—	—	649	16 4 6	
	683	22	4,127	12,229	—	32 14 6
						£569 2 0

The progressive rate of receipts from fees appears from the following table:—

				Amount of Fees		
				£	s.	d.
Year ending 31st December, 1868,	.	.	.	131	17	6
"	"	1869,	.	311	6	0
"	"	1870,	.	281	17	6
"	"	1871,	.	454	16	6
"	"	1872,	.	569	2	0

Fees, increment.

53. The increment in the later years is to a great extent due to the acquisition of the Testamentary Records, and may be expected to go on increasing as those still outstanding shall be brought in. The amount of comparison performed by the attesting officers during the same period was—

1868,	.	.	.	.	3,774 folios.
1869,	.	.	.	.	9,110 "
1870,	.	.	.	.	7,691 "
1871,	.	.	.	.	12,514 "
1872,	.	.	.	.	16,356 "

Vacancies in staff filled up.

54. On the 19th of April your Excellency was pleased to appoint James H. Davies, esq., and Henry Cox, esq., to be Third Class Clerks in this office.

National MSS.

55. Mr. Gilbert, Secretary of this office, continues the preparation of the series of National Manuscripts relating to Ireland, the facsimilies for which it has been arranged shall be reproduced by the photozincographic process, and published under the direction of the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls in Ireland. In the Appendix will be found a letter from the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls to Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. Gilbert's letter in reply, indicating the nature and extent of some of the materials which will be brought in this interesting form before the public in the first portion of his work.

Publication.

Appendix IX.

Literary searches.

56. The literary inquiries during the year embraced Books of Distribution, Vallancey Maps, Inquisitions, Bills and Pleadings in Discovery Suits (1704–1779), Convert Rolls, Chancery Bills and Answers, Parliament Roll (2 Eliz.), Maps, Plans, &c., connected with Royal Canal, Patents, Wills, and Will Books.

Donations.

57. Besides those above mentioned (32, 42), I have to acknowledge the following donations during the year 1872 to the Department:—

From the Master of the Rolls, England:—
Twelve volumes of Record Publications.

58. An Index to my several Reports since my appointment as Deputy Keeper, including the present Report, has been prepared, and will be found appended.

All which is humbly submitted to your Excellency.

Dated at the Public Record Office
of Ireland, Four Courts, Dublin,
this 26th of April, 1873.

SAMUEL FERGUSON,
Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland.

I humbly certify to your Excellency that this Report is made
by the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, under
my direction, pursuant to the Statute.

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*

APPENDIX.

APPENDIX 1.

EXTRACT from REPORT of JOHN O. OVEREND, esq., on the removal of the RECORDS of the CIVIL SIDE of the COURT of QUEEN'S BENCH from the DOME of the FOUR COURTS.

On the 13th of June I recommenced the task of preparing and arranging the Law Records of the Court of Queen's Bench deposited in the Dome of the Four Courts for removal to this office. I was assisted very efficiently by Mr. Cox, and had the aid of a writer and the manual services of three workmen. The more recent Records relating to the law side of the Queen's Bench had been removed by Mr. Berry in 1870, *vide* Third Report, p. 71, and those of the Crown side of the Court by Mr. M'Ghee in 1869; *vide* Second Report, p. 29.

The Dome, where the Records were deposited, is immediately over the Hall of the Four Courts, rather difficult of access, being approached by a dark spiral staircase. The room is of large proportions, circular, and very lofty.

The Records were contained in rows of shelves placed between the windows, of which there are twelve, and in five blocks, radiating from the central aperture through which communication is had with the hall below by means of a rope and pulley. Each of these blocks contained forty-eight shelves, twenty-four on either side. After having these blocks somewhat cleansed from the accumulations of dust, I had them lettered, and the shelves in the respective blocks numbered. The accompanying diagram will more fully explain the position and lettering of the blocks, the numbering of the shelves, and the general appearance of the room.

From a previous inspection made by me of the arrangement of the Records I had discovered that, though they were carefully bundled and tied up, the labelling of their true contents had been very imperfectly performed; so much so that it was necessary to have each parcel opened and the contents submitted for my personal examination, which was a work of considerable labour, there being 7,961 bundles for my inspection. The general result of my examination was to find that over 80 per cent. of the bundles had been erroneously labelled, both as regards the date and nature of the Records. The two examples following will show how these bundles were labelled, and how far their contents tallied with the label:—

NO. 1. OLD LABEL: "CONSENTS H., 1836." NEW LABEL: "MISCELLANEOUS" DOCUMENTS.

Actual Contents.

Consents,	.	.	.	.	1836.
Confessions,	.	.	.	.	"
Demurrer to Suggestion,	.	.	.	.	"
Bail Pieces,	.	.	.	.	1835, 1836.
Suggestions,	.	.	.	.	1836.
Appearances,	.	.	.	.	1833.
Writs of Habeas Corpus,	.	.	.	.	1834-1837.
" Capias	.	.	.	.	1836-1837.
" Certiorari,	.	.	.	.	"
" "	(with pleadings attached),				1831-3, 4, 5, 6, 7.

No. 2. OLD LABEL, "POSTEAS T., 1824." NEW LABEL, "MISCELLANEOUS."

Actual Contents.

Posteas,	.	.	.	.	1824.
Judgment on Posteas,	.	.	.	.	1789.
"	Inquisitions,	.	.	.	"
"	Confession,	.	.	.	"
"	by Consent,	.	.	.	"
"	Default,	.	.	.	"
"	Sci. Fa.	.	.	.	"
Judgments in Ejectment,	.	.	.	.	"
Declarations,	.	.	.	.	1778-1788 & 1789.
Writs,	.	.	.	.	1789 & 1804.

The above specimens are amongst the most favourable that could have been chosen, as there are many other bundles which do not contain even one document of the class indicated by the label.

Having ascertained, as far as was possible, the correct contents of each bundle, it was retied and a fresh card label was then attached in place of the old one. Each new label was numbered consecutively, a system which much aided the transfer of the collection. After all the Records had been examined, retied, re-labelled, and their contents entered on sheets prepared for the purpose, on which there was a column for the contents as by the late label, and one for their contents as by new label, the sheets were recast, and the Records classed in their proper series and chronological order. When this work had concluded the operation of removal commenced. The Records were lowered through the aperture in the centre of the floor by means of a rope, supported by a triangle raised over the opening: 495 large baskets of Records were thus lowered into the hall from whence they were conveyed to the Treasury.

The work of removal commenced on the 27th of September, 1872, and was finished on the 18th of October following. The number of bundles removed amounted to 7,247 containing 7,961 pieces.

I beg to call your attention to the large number of bundles of Records, numbering 1,275 that are labelled Miscellaneous, and to state that they contain Records of a very mingled nature both as regards class and date. It was impossible to have had them arranged properly before removal, and I was thus necessitated so to label them. Their ultimate arrangement will be a matter of great difficulty and labour; but in their present state, having no arrangement either as to class or year, they are practically useless. There was a large number of Enrolments of Pleadings, chiefly in causes in error of which I have made a list. I beg herewith to append a synopsis of the Records removed from the Dome, together with a list of Index Books to their contents brought from the Queen's Bench Offices at the same time.

LIST OF RECORDS REMOVED FROM THE DOME.

Affidavits, Certificates, and Petitions for appointment of Commissioners to take Affidavits 1825-1837. Two bundles. No. 1, 1825-1832. No. 2, 1834-1837.

Affidavits, Common, M. 1724-M. 1824. Irregular to 1755, there being a continuous gap from 1730 to 1755. From 1758 they run regularly. For Common Affidavits from 1824, see Third Report, p. 71.

Affidavits of Debt, T. 1808-M. 1833.

- Affidavits of amount of Debt* made previous to the marking of Judgment, kept on Common Affidavit files from 1833.
- Affidavits of Service of Rules*, T. 1811-T. 1824. A few files.
- Affidavits of Service in Ejectment*, T. 1755-M. 1824. From 1758 they form a regular series and are indexed in Ejectment declaration books. The Affidavits from 1824 were removed by Mr. Berry from the Queen's Bench offices. See Third Report, p. 71.
- Affidavits, Common, and in Ejectment*, 1720-1824. Run regularly to 1758, after which date the only files are for the following terms and years:—1785; 1785-6, two files; E. and T. 1787; M. 1791; M. 1814; 1817; H. and E. 1824.
- Affidavits of Service of Writs of Process*, M. 1803-T. 1824. A few files.
- Affidavits to ground Writs*, 1815. Two files.
- Appearances*, 1771-1822. Several files for these years.
- Bail Pieces, Recognizances and Bail Bonds*, 1740-1850.
- Certificates* of sums due, 1697-1849. Certificates of amount due on Judgments at the time of issuing execution.
- Cognovits*, 1728-1799. Indexed in Final Judgment Books. From 1800 they were removed from the offices of the Court of Queen's Bench. See Third Report, p. 72.
- Confessions*, 1769-1832. Of these there are several files, but they are generally kept on the files with the consents. See Consents.
- Consents*, 1779-1850. Submissions and Awards, Writs of Error, and Confessions are kept on these files, indexed in Consent Books.
- Declarations, Common*, 1724-1848. There are many terms and years deficient in this series which may probably be discovered amongst the Miscellaneous Bundles.
- Declarations in Ejectment and Common*, 1738-1850. On which Judgments have not been marked form a very regular series.
- Declarations in Ejectment*, 1716-1851. Have but few terms missing from 1800.
- Declarations and Pleas*, 1759-1828. Are files containing Declarations with Pleas attached: Judgment being marked on some, while others had not been continued to Judgment.
- Defences, Ejectment*, 1748-1850. Appearances to declarations in Ejectment.
- Inquisitions with Returns*, 1733-1834. Indexed in Postea Books.
- Insolvents' Oaths*, Roll of, 1782-1811. One Roll.
- Insolvency Petitions, Notices, &c.* Alphabetically arranged, unindexed.
- Judgments in Ejectment*, M. 1784-T. 1850. Form an unbroken series from 1838. If a Judgment in Ejectment is not forthcoming on these files, search should be continued to the files of Judgment Pleadings. See Judgment Pleadings.
- Judgment Pleadings*, 1670-1850. One file for 1854-1855. The original and usual arrangement of Judgment Pleadings in the Queen's Bench had formerly been similar to that adopted by the other Law Courts, namely, that of having them kept under their respective classes, as Judgments in Ejectment, Judgments on Postea, on Consent, &c. But from the state in which the Judgment Pleadings were found in the Dome it was quite impossible to revive that classification, with one exception, see "Judgments in Ejectment," and it was with great difficulty that a series of Judgment Pleadings was formed at all. Consequently, the entire mass of Judgment Pleadings being thrown into one series, there are numerous files for each term and year; and a searcher will have to inspect each of these files to find the document required. The series of Judgments in Ejectment is only regular from 1838.

Jury Panels. A few Jury lists for various counties.

Memorials of Assignments of Judgments, 1760. One file. See Third Report, p. 73.

Pleadings, 1761-1850. These files contain Pleadings on which Judgment has not been entered.

Pleas, 1741-1850. Pleas, a regular series indexed in the *Pleadings Books.*

Posteas, 1677-1850. On which Judgment does not appear to have been entered. There are numerous files.

Posteas and Inquisitions, 1723-1850. Files containing both Posteas and Inquisitions.

Replevins and Recordaris, 1745-1844. Form an irregular series.

Reports, 1760-1849. Made by officers of the Court on ascertaining the amount of debt and interest due on Bills of Exchange.

Returned Writs, 1685-1850. Include all kinds of writs returned by sheriffs.

Rules to plead, 1835-1837. A few files.

Sacramental Certificates, 1704-1756. Churchwardens' Certificates of Conformity. There are numbers of these Certificates to be found amongst the miscellaneous documents. See Book of "Conformaties" in Rolls collection.

Satisfaction Entry Books, 1822-1853. Contain title, amount, and date of Judgment satisfied.

Scire Facias, 1741-1851. Writs of Scire Facias on which Judgment does not appear to have been entered.

Scire Facias Pleadings, 1756-1850. Are a very regular series.

Submissions and Awards. Kept on consent files. See Consents.

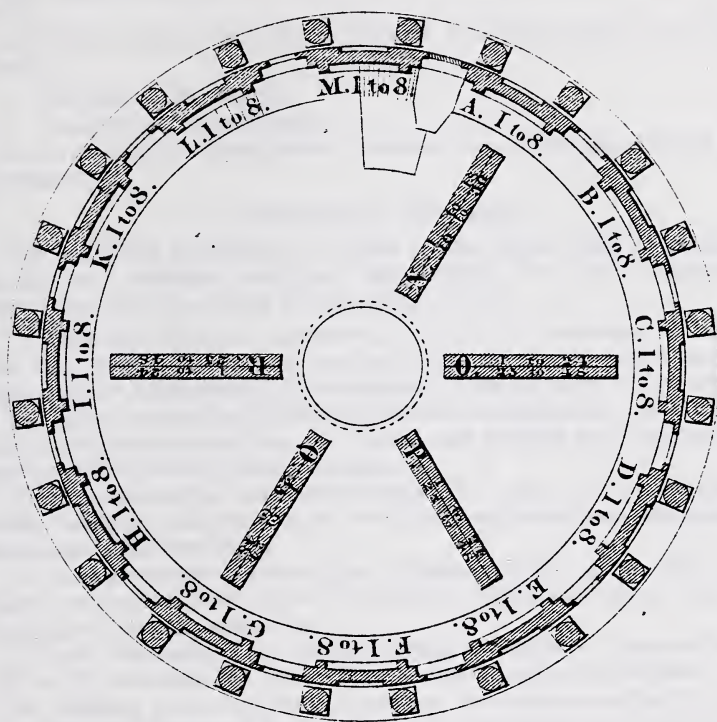
Summonses against Peers, &c., 1803-1833. Writs of summons against Peers, Members of Parliament, &c. The old process in commencing actions against privileged persons.

Venires, 1766-1844. A few files for various terms and years between 1766-1844 kept separately; but they are usually kept on the files of Returned Writs. See Returned Writs.

LIST of BOOKS serving as INDEXES to DOME COLLECTION, removed from
QUEEN'S BENCH (including those removed before 1872).

Affidavit Books,	.	.	.	.	1806-1851.	27 vols.
Consent Books,	.	.	.	.	1834-1849.	7 "
Declaration Books,	.	.	.	.	1707-1849.	51 "
" Ejectment,	.	.	.	.	1807-1849.	25 "
Defence Books, Ejectment only H.,	.	.	.	.	1823-1849.	8 "
Interlocutory Judgment Books,	.	.	.	.	1798-1850.	39 "
" " " Duplicates T.,	.	.	.	.	1821-1844.	19 "
Pleadings Books Judgment,	.	.	.	.	1801-1849.	15 "
" and Records,	.	.	.	.	1821-1841.	1 "
Postea Books,	.	.	.	.	1821-1849.	5 "
Replevin Books,	.	.	.	.	1829-1842.	3 "
Satisfaction Entry Books,	.	.	.	.	1822-1853.	6 "
" " " Duplicates,	.	.	.	.	1822-1847.	5 "
Warrants to enter Judgment,	.	.	.	.	1834-1850.	14 "
Writ Books returned,	.	.	.	.	1830-1849.	14 "
Scire Facias Books,	.	.	.	.	1738-1849.	6 "

APPENDIX.I.



PLAN OF RECORD REPOSITORY
IN DOME OF THE FOUR COURTS, DUBLIN, 1872.

APPENDIX 2.

To the Right Honorable the MASTER of the ROLLS in IRELAND.—
THE FIFTH REPORT of SIR JOHN BERNARD BURKE, C.B., ULSTER,
KEEPER of the STATE PAPERS in the RECORD TOWER, DUBLIN
CASTLE, dated 1st February, 1873.

SIR,—The following statement, which I beg leave to place before your Honor, describes the progress of the work of the State Paper Department during the past year, viz., from 1st February, 1872 to 1st February, 1873.

Adhering to my usual plan, I will give a summary under the three heads :—

1. Transfer of Documents.
2. Reception of State Papers.
3. Arrangement, Classification, Indexing, &c., of the State Paper Department.

I.—TRANSFER OF DOCUMENTS.

The following collections of Papers in the State Paper Department having been arranged, catalogued, and indexed, have been transferred during the past year to the Public Record Office.

1. OFFICERS' WIDOWS ACCOUNTS.—1716–1749, contained in carton No. 42. This collection will be found described further on, under the heading of “Arrangement, Classification, Indexing, &c., of Documents.”

2. ABSTRACTS OF CASH, WEEKLY, EXCISE AND TREASURY.—1704–1814, contained in tin boxes, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, and referred to in my first Report (p. 69) as having been calendared.

3. MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS.—1693–1771, part of the foregoing series (referred to likewise in my first Report as having been calendared), contained in tin box No. 3.

4. CORRESPONDENCE, IRISH CIVIL MISCELLANEOUS.—1643–1799, contained in cartons Nos. 20 to 37, inclusive, described further on under heading of “Arrangement, &c.”

5. LAW REPORTS, AND OTHER PAPERS CONNECTED THEREWITH.—1697–1793, contained in carton No. 38, also described further on.

In addition to the foregoing papers and documents transferred under your Honor's Warrant, I have also placed in the hands of Dr. Ferguson, Deputy Keeper of the Public Records, the earliest Council Book in this department, viz., COUNCIL BOOK 1581–1586, entitled “A Giornal for entrie of daylie and ordinary actes of the Council and matters of State.” Reference is made to it in my second Report (pp. 54, 55). The Calendar and Index being quite perfect, this Council Book is now available for public reference.

II.—THE RECEPTION OF STATE PAPERS.

A mass of MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS has been received from the Chief Secretary's Office during the past year, and has been papered and placed in presses. This collection consists of Orders of Parliament, 1832–1864; Presentments, 1838–1844; Criminal Returns, 1838–1843; Jesuits' Notices, 1839–1851; Fines, 1840–3; Returns Miscellaneous; Constabulary, 1847; Public Works Department, 1843; Cost of Patients, House of Industry, 1849; Voters of Waterford, 1857; Viceroyalty of Earl of Eglinton and Winton Appointments, 1859; Fees, 1828; Cost of Prisoners in Gaols, 1858; Railroads, 1835–1854; Schools; Sheriffs, 1859–

60; Yeomanry and Constabulary, 1824-1830; Tithe Claims, 1835; Permanent Sergeants, 1804, &c., &c.; Applications for Professorships in Queen's Colleges, enclosing Testimonials, &c.; Turnpike Trusts; Commitments; Presentations to Livings; Sheriffs, 1849; Queen's Letters; Magistrates' Reports Books, 1838-1847, 49 volumes; Presbyterian Certificates, 1841-1868, 47 volumes; Non-conforming Clergy Certificates, 1868 and 1869, 2 volumes, &c., &c.

III.—ARRANGEMENT, CLASSIFICATION, INDEXING, &c., OF STATE PAPER DEPARTMENT.

OFFICERS' WIDOWS ACCOUNTS.—1716-1749 (carton 42). The Index to this collection, referred to in my last [fourth] Report (p. 25), has been completed. The documents give the names of the Widows' husbands, their rank, and the Regiments to which they belonged. In some cases the date of the death of the Widow is given.

LAW REPORTS and other papers connected therewith.—1697-1793 [carton No. 38]. An Index giving the subjects and dates of the Reports has been compiled. These documents refer to many legal questions of interest, such as Criminal Causes, Elections, Bills, Presentments against Tories, Fairs and Markets, Prisoners' Cases, Illegal Marriages, Vesting of Estates, Fines, Prisoners' Cases, &c., &c.

CORRESPONDENCE, IRISH CIVIL MISCELLANEOUS.—1643-1799 [cartons Nos. 20 to 37, inclusive]. The Irish Civil Miscellaneous Correspondence, transferred in 18 cartons, numbering from 20 to 37 inclusive, is a collection of 7,108 letters written from all parts of the country by various persons, including Mayors of Cities and Towns, High Sheriffs, Justices of the Peace, Provosts, Military and Naval Officers, Members of Corporations, Local Officials, and private individuals. They are addressed principally to the Government authorities at Dublin Castle, more especially to the Lord-Lieutenants, or the Lords Justices or their Secretaries. These letters, the greater portion of which refer to the period between 1700 and 1760, furnish information on the state of the country, give some insight into the social life and manners of the times, and relate to many governmental transactions. In the collection will be found details respecting the "White Boys" and "Wild Geese," the "Rapparees and Tories," proceedings against Priests, enlistment for the Pretender, and sympathy with the Jacobite cause, besides descriptions of murders, abductions, robberies, smuggling, and other offences against the law. There are besides a few sworn informations against parties accused of treasonable practices.

The arms on the seals of some of the letters in this collection may prove a help to Irish Heraldry. The wax having become quite hard, the arms may still in many instances be clearly deciphered.

The arrangement of this series is chronological and partially alphabetical. I deemed it best to adhere to the plan under which the letters were originally classified, not only from an unwillingness to disturb the classification already made, but also from a conviction that the chronological arrangement best carries down, by contemporary documents, the various transactions referred to, while the alphabetical order as to the first letter appears a sufficient guide to the writers' names. Possibly this arrangement imposes some additional trouble on the inquirer, but for this trouble he is more than compensated by having the various letters written contemporaneously brought together. One is thus enabled to ascertain what documents appertain to a particular epoch by glancing the eye over each alphabetical list. This collection of letters

will be found, I think, of considerable value by historical students who seek information as to the state of Ireland under the reigns of George I. and II.

THE CALENDAR OF THE BRITISH DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE, that is, the correspondence of Departments in England with Lord Lieutenants' and Chief Secretaries' Departments in Ireland, commencing 1683, to which I referred in my last Report as having been brought down to the year 1732, has been continued to the year 1738.

This calendar when completed, will, I am sanguine enough to hope, be a very important guide to Irish History from the reign of William III. to the reign of George III., and will afford authentic details of the public transactions of that very important period.

We have already made the calendar from 1683 to 1738, and there remains only about 20 years to be done. When that portion is accomplished, and a general Index added, this all-important series of documents will be in a fit state for transfer to the Public Record Office. The pressure of current business consequent on the reception and arrangement of State Papers, as well as arising from Governmental inquiries, has heretofore interrupted to some extent the progress of this calendar, but I trust that during the current year this work will be much advanced.

A good many Queens' Letters, which had been inadvertently omitted to be sent to this department by the Chief Secretary's Office, were transmitted to me after the Index was completed of the comprehensive series of Kings' and Queens' Letters referred to in my last report. These letters are all of a date subsequent to those transferred by me to the Public Record Office, and consequently have been easily inserted in their proper places, and have been duly entered in the original Catalogue.

MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS (Cartons Nos. 291 to 499 inclusive). The arrangement and classification in Cartons of this very voluminous series has been completed during the past year. Some idea of its value may be formed by reference to a list of the subjects of the collection, which will be found in my last (4th) report, pp. 24 and 25. There is an Index to the collection, which has been rendered available as a Catalogue to the Documents in the Cartons. This Index is arranged according to subjects, each subject in chronological order; but in all probability on a minute examination of these papers, I shall find it necessary to have a more comprehensive Catalogue of them prepared. Among the papers of this series, those called "Copies of Letters from the Chief Secretary's Office," are "Machine Copies," many of which are nearly obliterated. They are now tied up in bundles, endorsed and placed in tin boxes (Nos. 7 to 11) being unsuitable for the Cartons. Besides the foregoing collection, there is another vast mass of MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS (Cartons 500 to 620) which have been arranged chronologically in Cartons, and of which a draft Index has been compiled. These papers range from about 1700 to 1820, with some few of an earlier date. This series appears to be of a similar nature to that last described, contained in Cartons Nos. 291 to 499, but as the documents are not included in the original Index, and as they have been transmitted to my department from the Chief Secretary's Office, at different periods, I consider it advisable to keep the two collections still separate.

These two collections fill 330 Cartons.

MODERN STATE PAPERS, 1821-1852. The contents of the Parliamentary Record Office, No. 6, having been transferred to the custody of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records, I have had the room refitted for the reception of 288 Cartons, in which I have commenced the ar-

rangement of the MODERN STATE PAPERS from 1821 to 1852. This vast mass of documents will require considerable labour to render it of easy access for the public service. Constant references are made by Government to these papers, and much time is occupied by searches through such an immense body of documents. It is therefore most desirable that they should be in perfect order, and available at a moment's notice. Previously to the transfer of the collection to this department, many of the documents taken out at various times for Parliamentary or Governmental purposes were not put back, and still remain detached from their bundles. All these loose papers, and they are very numerous, are now being replaced according to their proper numbers. There are besides, attached to each year's collection, numerous documents of a miscellaneous nature which have not been included in the current Indexes. These also require arrangement and will have to be indexed.

In concluding this my fifth report, I beg leave to submit to your Honor a résumé of the general work heretofore accomplished since the passing of the "Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867." At that date, the Record Tower comprised four distinct collections, viz. —

1. The Plea, Pipe, and other Rolls, deposited in the Bermingham Tower Record Room.

2. The Records, Books, and Papers of the Irish Parliament, deposited in the Parliamentary Record Rooms.

3. The Books, Papers, and proceedings of the Record Commission, deposited in the Sub-Commissioners' Room.

4. The Books, Papers, and Records of the Chief Secretary's Office and Council Office, deposited in the State Paper Room Department.

Of these four distinct collections, the first three have been wholly transferred to the Public Record Office, and considerable progress has already been made in transfers from the State Paper Department. Consequent upon the transfer of these various collections, ample space has been left for the reception of the accumulating papers of the Irish Government, to provide for which the Parliamentary Record Rooms have been re-adjusted.

In obtaining the results, a statement of which I have in this report brought before your Honor, I have had the able, assiduous, and zealous co-operation of my two clerks, Mr. G. F. Barry, and Mr. J. J. Maginn.

I have the honour to be, sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) J. BERNARD BURKE, Ulster.

Record Tower, Dublin Castle,
1st February, 1873.

APPENDIX 3.

EXTRACT from REPORT of the ASSISTANT DEPUTY KEEPER on the RECORDS of the COURT of RECORD of the COUNTY PALATINE of TIPPERARY.

Amongst the Records transferred to this Department from the Repositories of the Court of Common Pleas and the Rolls Office of Chancery, were the Records of the Palatinate Courts of the County of Tipperary. Very little attention appears to have been paid to them in either office; and although mentioned in the reports of the Record Commissioners (2nd Report, pp. 66 and 113), the notices do not appear to have been

grounded on much examination. The Chirographer of the Common Pleas states that those deposited with him are "all very imperfect, and for a considerable time past have never been referred to, and probably never will;" the fact being, that, in point of regularity of sequence, they are rather more perfect than most of the series of the superior courts in Dublin for the same period, while their not being referred to may be accounted for by their want of arrangement and proper means of reference.

They all belong to the second period in the history of the Palatinate, after the revival of the jurisdiction in 1662 (grant, by Letters Patent, dated 22nd April, 14 Charles II., confirmed by the Statute 14 Charles II., c. 20). The Palatinate jurisdiction had been created originally by grant by Letters Patent of 9th November, 2 Edward III. (A.D. 1328) to James le Botiller, Earl of Ormond, for life, and had been continued by various grants and confirmations, until seized by the Crown, by process of "Quo Warranto" in 1621 (19th James I.).

All of date subsequent to 1661.

The original jurisdiction embraced the then county of Tipperary, but did not include certain districts called the County of the Cross of Tipperary, which constituted a distinct Shrievalty under the ordinary jurisdiction of the King's Courts. It was also exclusive of the district of Dough Arra or "Mac Brien's Country," which forms the major portion of the present Barony of Owny and Arra, and was joined to the County of the Cross of Tipperary in 1606. This union was effected by a Royal Commission and Award thereunder, bearing date the 6th September, 4 James I.; and I cite it as an historical Document of interest, illustrative of the still unsettled state of some parts of the country at that date, and also as ascertaining some of the scattered localities which had theretofore constituted the County of the Cross.

Original extent of the jurisdiction.

Excluded county of the Cross of Tipperary, to which Owny and Arra afterwards added.

"The Unyon of Dugh Arra to the County of the Cross of Tiperary.

Award uniting same.

"Whereas oure sov'aigne Lord the Kinges moste excellent Ma^{ty} James by the grace of God King of England Scotland ffranc' and Ireland by his highnes comission under his greates seale of this his realme of Ireland unto us directed bearing date at Mellefount the xxth day of July and in the fourth yeare of his most prosperous Raigne of England ffranc' & Ireland and of Scotland the nyne and thirteenth hath ordeyred dyrected and appointed that the Countrey or Territory of Dough Arra otherwyse called Mc'Bryen Arraes Countrey lyng and being in the bord's and confynes of the sev'all Counties of Clare Lym'ick the County of the Crosse of Tiperary and the County of the Liberty of Tiperary being hearetofore doubtfull and uncertayne whether the said Countrey of Dough Arra weare parcell of enny of the said sev'all Counties or rather a place exempt and separete from all and ev'y of the said sev'all Counties by reason wherof many treasons felonies and other offences comitted within the said Countrey of Dough Arra have for many yeares past gon unpunished because the inhabitants of the said Countrey have not beene drawne to make their apparaunc' at anny sessions within enny of the said sev'all Counties and that it hath beene conceived that their hath beene no apt and proper place of triall of the said crymes and offences. His highnes for sundry goode respectes and for the advauncment of justice amongst his subjectes have thought meete and convenyent to annex unite and joyne the said Countrey or Territory of Dough Arra and the sayd County of the Crosse of Tiperary into one County and the said Countrey of Dough Arra to be hencefoorth reputed accepted and taken as parcell and member of the said County of the Crosse of Tipary. Knowe all men that wee for the perfourmanc' of his highnes dyrection to us in that behalf have called before us a Jury of the County of the Crosse of Tipary aforesaid retourned by the Shierif of the said County at Cashell within the said County the third day of September 1606 whose names do ensue, viz^t: Edmond Butler of Mullenony gent', Edmond Butler of Clogcully gent', John Phelane of of fitherd burges, John Keating of Moorestowne gent', Enstace English of Rahin gent', James Prendergast of Rathorally gent', Thomas Stapleton of Leynestowne gent', Geoffrey Mocler of Ballyclerighane gent', John Hyffernan of

Lattin gent', James Meaghair of Burdensgrandg gent', James Heden of fifthard burges, James Woodlock of the same, burges, Edmond Mocler of Bwollynaria gent', which Juro's being sworne in open Court upon the Holy Evangelist to present the meetes meares and boundes of Dwgh Arra aforesaid have presented as followeth, vidzt. That the Countrey or Territory of Dugh Arra lyeth and is conteyned and meared with Portercossy by the ryver of Synnane in the North West point, with the Cantred of Owynmulryan in the South West point, with Upp^r Ormond all by South, Mollen Iogane in Lower Ormond by East, and by the smale Ryv' from Mollin Iogane to Synnan aforesaid along on the North syde tending to Portercossy aforesaid, and is one hondreth plowlandes, upon all w^{ch} presentment wee have by force of oure said comission found oute the lymites and boundes of the said Countrey of Dugh Arra. And do lay annex unite and conjoyne the said Territory or Countrey of Dugh Arra to the said County of the Crosse of Tipperary, and do therefore order adward and adjudge that from henceforth for ev^r more the said country precinct or territory of Dwgh Arra otherwise called Mac Bryen Arraes Country shalbe reputed knowen and taken both in deed and in name as part parcell and member of the said County of the Crosse of Tipperary and both so conjoined together to be called the County of the Cross of Tipperary. And wee do likewise by vertue of oure said comission order adward and adjudge that the said Countrey of Dough Arra shalbe henceforth for ev^r called the Barony of Dugh Arra in the County of the Crosse of Tipperary. And that the Shieriff of the County of the Crosse of Tipperary for the tyme being shall and may exercise his offyce as Shierif by himself his offc's and minist's in the said Barrony of Dugh Arra and in ev'y part and parcell thereof and apoint a Bayliff under him in the same in as lardg and ample manner as he doth exercise or may exercise the same offyce of Shieriff in enny other Barrony part or member of the said County of the Crosse of Tipperary. To all intentes and purpos' and for the better furtheraunc' of his highnes s'vyce wee have named appointed and sworne two high constables in the said Barrony of Dugh Arra. Dated at Cashell in the County of the Crosse of Tipperary, the sixt day of September 1606, and in the fourth yeare of the raigne of oure sov'ayn Lord King James of England fraunce' and Ireland and of Scotland the xlth.

"H. BROUNCKER (L.S.)

FRA. WALSH (L.S.)

"JO. ELYOT (L.S.)

DOM. SARSFELDE (L.S.)

—Miscellaneous Records, Rolls Office.

No. 37 (2 Q. 15. 14).

County of the Cross, so enlarged, afterwards included in Palatinata.

On the subsequent reconstruction of the Palatinata, the County of the Cross, so enlarged, was brought within the new jurisdiction. The letters patent, restoring the jurisdiction, 22 April 14 Charles II. (A.D. 1662), recite that at the time of the seizure of the Liberty, the barony of Owny and Arra and divers other towns, villages, and townlands, scattered through the various baronies of the County Tipperary, and called the County of the Cross of Tipperary, were annexed to the County of Tipperary, and made part and parcel of the said County, and proceed to grant to the Duke of Ormond, the Liberties, privileges, &c., over the whole County of Tipperary, including the barony of Owny and Arra and the County of the Cross of Tipperary.

Nature of the jurisdiction.

The nature of the jurisdiction exercised over that large extent of country may be gathered from the record of the several acts of royal authority stated in the Quo Warranto to have been exercised by Walter Earl of Ormond, one of the defendants in the Quo Warranto. I extract and translate so much of that proceeding, as enumerates the courts and offices of the old Palatinata, from the Plea Rolls of the Crown side of the Court of Queen's Bench.

"Walter Earl of Ormond and Ossory, Sir John Everarde, knight, and Robert Rooth, esquire . . . exercise and use divers liberties privileges franchises and jurisdictions following, viz.:

"To have and to hold within the county of Tipperary one *Curia Cancellaria*

A Court of Chancery.

commonly called a *Chancery Courte* and to make, appoint and constitute one *Cancellarius* or officer in the same court, commonly called a *Chancellor*; which Chancellor, under color of such his office, makes and causes to be made all kinds of original writs and other processes in all actions, as well real as personal and mixed, within the aforesaid county arising occurring or happening; and receives converts and disposes the perquisites and profits accruing and arising therefrom to the proper use of the aforesaid Earl, John Everarde, and Robert Rooth. And the same Chancellor under color aforesaid, in the aforesaid court, hears examines discusses and determines all suits causes complaints bills petitions and controversies, by whatever persons in that court before him brought proposed and produced, and does and executes all other things, which belong to the office of Chancellor to be done and executed.

"And also to have and to hold within the aforesaid county one other Court of Pleas of the Crown of the said lord the now King, and to make appoint and constitute one other officer or *Seneschallus* commonly called a *Seneschal*, and one other officer or *Justiciarius* commonly called a *Justice*, to hold Pleas of the Crown of the said lord the King; which Seneschal and Justice, under color of such their office, in the same court hear treat of examine discuss and determine all and singular presentments and indictments against all persons whatsoever, for all treasons and felonies and misprisions of them, also for all other transgressions and malfeasances done committed or perpetrated in the aforesaid county, in that court presented or indicted, and in and upon any persons convicted or attainted of any such treasons felonies and other offences and malfeasances, during the whole aforesaid time imposed inflicted and executed, and still do impose inflict and execute all and all manner of punishments, pecuniary and corporal, and punishments of life and limbs and like punishments, to such delinquents respectively. And do and direct to be done all other things touching and concerning Pleas of the Crown of the said lord the King in the aforesaid county, which belong to the office of any Justice lawfully assigned to hold and treat of pleas of the Crown of the same lord the King to be done and executed.

"And also to have and to hold within the aforesaid County one other Court of Common Pleas held before the aforesaid Seneschal and Justice; which Seneschal and Justice under color of such office in the same Court of Common Pleas hear examine discuss and determine all and singular suits complaints and actions, real personal and mixed, by whatsoever persons in the same Court of Common Pleas, as well by writ, as by bill without writ, brought proposed produced and depending. And the same Seneschal and Justice under color of their aforesaid offices during the whole space aforesaid received, and still take and receive notes and acknowledgments of all persons whatsoever for fines of any lands and tenements in the aforesaid County to be levied according to the Fines. course of Common Law of this Kingdom of Ireland.

"And also, yearly, to nominate appoint make and constitute in the same County one other officer viz: one *Viccomes* commonly called a *Sheriffe*, for the custody of the same County, which Sheriff under color of such his office, makes execution of all writs precepts mandates warrants and processes issuing and directed to the same Sheriff from the four courts of the said lord the King held at the King's Courts in the County of the City of Dublin, also from the Justices of the said lord the King, assigned to take the assizes in the County Tipperary aforesaid, as well as from the aforesaid Chancellor Justice and Seneschal in the same County, in form aforesaid, appointed and constituted. And he holds in the same County divers Courts of Turn. Leet, and *Curie Comitatus* called *County Courts*, and converts and disposes the issues and profits of such Courts to his proper use; and does and executes all other things within the same County, which belong to the office of Sheriff in that County, to be done.

"And moreover to have and appropriate to themselves the power of granting charters of Pardon, and *ad pardonum anglice to pardon*, whatsoever persons are suspected, accused, indicted, convicted, outlawed, condemned, or attainted of any transgressions felonies and treasons and misprisions of felonies or treasons, by them within the aforesaid County in anywise done committed or perpetrated, and by their charters, to pardon remit and release to any such persons, all and singular such transgressions felonies treasons and misprisions also all and singular convictions outlawries condemnations judgments attainders corporal punish-

ments punishments of death and limbs and executions of the same, against any such person in the aforesaid Court of Pleas of the Crown, for any offence above recited had or adjudicated. And further to do and execute within the aforesaid County all other things whatsoever which appertain to any earl of any County Palatine [sic] to be done or executed.

"And also to make appoint and constitute in the aforesaid County Tipperary divers other officers viz: one or more Coroners, to do and execute all that appertains to the office of coroners to be done; and one Escheator and one Feodary, to do and execute in the same County all that appertains to the offices of Escheator and Feodary respectively to be done; and one Clerk of the Markets, to do and execute in the same County all that appertains to the office of Clerk of the Markets to be done; and one *Subvicecomes* commonly called a *Subsherriffe*, to do and execute in the same County all that appertains to the office of Subsheriff to be done.

"And moreover to have take seize and to the proper use of them, the earl, John Everarde and Robert Roothe, to convert and dispose all and singular goods chattels lands and tenements of all traitors, felons, convicted attainted or in anywise condemned, fugitives, outlaws, waives, or persons put in exigent, felons of themselves, deodands, treasure trove, escheats, chattels or lands forfeited, customs, fines, amerciaments, and other profits and royal rights, within the aforesaid County Tipperary, from time to time arising happening or occurring."—*Roll of Pleas of the Crown—Crown Office, King's Bench, Easter Term 19 James I., mem. 13.* (2 F 1-3)

The jurisdiction authorities and liberties set out in the above proceedings, were restored to James Duke of Ormond by the Letters Patent above referred to, with the exception of the four pleas of Arson, Rape, Forestalling, and Treasure Trove, as originally reserved in the grant of Edward III.

The course of practice on the Civil side of the Law Court, and the offices connected therewith, may also be judged of from the following tables of "Fees in use in the Court of Record of the Palatinate," which I extract from the Entry Books. (3 H, 145, 3.)

The fees upon a trial at Nisi Prius were as follows:—

	s.	d.	
Entering cause,	3	4	
Tales,	3	4	
Copy panel,	1	10	
Prefixing,	1	0	Sometimes 3s. 4d.
Swearing Jury,	1	0	" 3 4
Swearing witnesses (each),	0	4	
Documents read (each),	2	6	
Recording verdict,	3	4	
Certificate,	2	6	

Fees on levying a Fine:—

	s.	d.	
Precipe to Cursitor,	3	4	to Attorney.
Writ of Covenant,	10	1	of which 5s. 1d. to Cursitor.
Duke's Silver,	5	0	to Cursitor.
Precipe and Concord,	13	4	to Attorney.
Dedimus,	17	2	of which 12s. 2d. to Cursitor.
Allocatur inde,	6	8	to Judge.
Drawn at bar,	4	6	to Counsel.
Judge, box, and fee therefor,	12	0	of which 5s. to Mr. Acton (officer in court).
Crier and Marshal,	5	9	of which 9d. to Crier.
Indenture of fine,	£1	5 4	to Chirographer.

Fees on Suffering a Recovery :—

	s.	d.	
Precipe to Cursitor,	3	4	to attorney.
Writ of entry,	10	1	of which 5s. 1d. to officer.
Duke's Silver,	5	0	to officer.
Precipe and warrant for tenant,	13	4	to attorney.
Dedimus, fine, and fee therefor,	17	2	of which 12s. 2d. to officer.
Mittimus therefor,			
Allocatur inde,			
Precipe and warrant for vouchee,	13	4	to attorney.
Dedimus, fine, and fee therefor,	17	2	of which 12s. 2d. to officer.
Mittimus therefor,			
Allocatur inde,			
Remembrance roll,	11	8	to officer.
Drawn at bar by 3 counsel,	13	6	to counsel.
Judge, box, and fee therefor,	11	0	of which 6s. to officer in court.
Crier and Marshall therefor,	5	9	of which 9d. to crier.
Exemplification,	£2	2	to the officer.
Seal and judge's hand,	14	2	to judge.

In aid of the jurisdiction two special enactments of the Irish Parliament were passed. The one, 7 William III., chapter 19, making the statute 10 Charles I., chapter 13, intituled "An Act concerning the appearance of jurors in the Nisi Prius," applicable to the Palatinate, and thus providing for "tales" on juries at Nisi Prius. The other, same year, chapter 20, reciting that whereas some doubt may arise concerning the validity of fines levied in the County Palatine Court of Tipperary according to the custom and usage thereof, enacts that fines levied there of lands, tenements, or other hereditaments lying within the said county, shall be of like force as if levied in the Court of Common Pleas at Dublin.

Under these authorities the whole administration of civil and criminal affairs was conducted within the enlarged county, from 1662 to the date of the attainder of James, Duke of Ormond in 1715. The Act 2 George I., chapter 8, entitled "An Act for extinguishing the Regalities and Liberties of the County of Tipperary and Cross Tipperary, commonly called the County Palatine of Tipperary; and for vesting in His Majesty the estate of James Butler, commonly called James Duke of Ormond; and for giving a Reward of ten thousand pounds to any person who shall seize or secure him, in case he shall attempt to land in this kingdom;" extinguishes all the liberties, &c., granted by Charles II., declares that Tipperary and Cross Tipperary shall be one county for ever, and vests all honours, manors, &c., of the Duke of Ormond in the King, without office or inquisition. It enacts that all fines and recoveries, and all Records, &c., in the Court of Record of the County of Tipperary shall be removed into the Court of Common Pleas in Dublin, before the first day of Trinity Term, 1716, to be kept of Record there, with all books and papers relating thereto; and that all Judgments already had shall be as binding as if the Records had not been removed. Liberty was reserved for all persons having unsatisfied Judgments to take out execution by *capias* or *feri facias* anywhere within the realm. No suit depending on the 10th September, 1715, should be abated, but must proceed in the Common Pleas as if commenced there; and be reversible by writ of error. That all Bills, Answers, Pleadings, Recognizances, Depositions and Decrees, of the Court of Chancery of Tipperary be removed into the High Court of Chancery before Trinity Term, 1716. Decrees unperformed to be executed by process out of the Court of Chancery. Recognizances and Sequestrations on Decrees so removed

Special Acts in aid of jurisdiction,

until attainder of Duke of Ormond in 1715.

Provisions of 2nd Geo. I., c. 8.

shall extend only to lands in Tipperary or Cross Tipperary. Indictments or Appeals on which Judgment is given or outlawry awarded shall be removed into the Crown Office, King's Bench, as if done by certiorari. Where Judgment is not given, the indictments are to be transmitted to the Clerk of the Crown, and the next going Judge of Assize shall proceed thereon as usual in such cases. Officers neglecting or refusing to transmit Rolls, Records, &c., shall forfeit £300 to the King, and damages to the party aggrieved by such default.

Under the above provisions I should have expected to have received Records of the Palatinate from the Crown Office of the King's Bench, but none appear to be of Record there.

Abstract of
Records.

I now proceed with the Records of the "Court of Record of the Regalities and Liberties of the County Tipperary," which were removed into the Repositories of the Court of Common Pleas under the provisions of the above-mentioned Act of Parliament, and transferred to this department under the supervision of Mr. Mills in 1870, in accordance with the 30 & 31 Vic., chap. 70 (*vide* Third Report of the Deputy Keeper, Appendix, page 68). Since their transfer these documents have been very carefully examined by Mr. Mills, who has with much trouble and labour classified and arranged them, and made a schedule of the Fines and Recoveries, containing the parties' names and the lands, so that they are now in a condition to be of use and interest to the general public.

Former ar-
rangement.

The old labels and arrangement were imperfect, and even misleading. When the collection was transferred to this department it consisted of forty large bundles, purporting to possess a chronological arrangement, but without any indication of the character of their contents. Even this arrangement was so imperfect that in many instances no document of the date indicated was to be found in the parcel.

An inspection of the detailed description I give below will show that, in every respect, in its forms and mode of procedure, the Record Court of the Palatinate followed the precedents of the King's Courts in Dublin, and more especially of the Common Pleas, the name of the Duke of Ormond being substituted for that of the Sovereign.

Records of
Process for
Compensation
for injuries

by Tories,
Rapparees, &c.

There is a class of proceedings preserved as a special series, which is worthy of preliminary notice, being the declarations filed under the 13 Edward I., ch. 2 (Winton) confirmed as an Irish Statute by the 10 Henry VII., ch. 22, and under the 7 William III., ch. 21. Under the former Act all damages caused by malefactors, in cases where their bodies were not taken by the county, were to be levied off the county. Under the latter all losses caused and damage done by Tories, Rapparees, &c., were to be charged on the inhabitants of the county or barony in which they were committed, according to the religious denomination of the offenders.

Course of pro-
cedure.

The mode of procedure was for the person aggrieved to sue any inhabitant in the same county or barony (the latter if the damage was under £10) to execution for the amount of the damage done him, and on obtaining a judgment against the defendant, the latter was reimbursed by a rate levied under the provisions of 10 & 11 Charles I., ch. 13.

I proceed with the synopsis of the ordinary Civil Records:—

AFFIDAVITS.—1697–1715, on seven files. These are very legible and in good preservation, and include both common and Ejectment Affidavits.

APPEARANCES.—Entries of, 1700–1712. *Vide* Entry Books.

BAIL.—Entries of, 1700–1712. *Vide* Entry Books.

COGNOVITS.—1692–1715, on twenty-two files, those for the years 1693 and 1698 being absent.

DECLARATIONS.—1691–1715. *Vide* Pleadings.

DECLARATIONS under Statute 7 William III., ch. 21. One parcel 1697–8. There are others upon the ordinary files of Pleadings.

ENTRY BOOKS.—Two volumes, 1700–7 and 1709–12. The first volume is headed, “Entrys of Bayles and Tryalls begining at Clonmell uppon Wednesdaye, the 9th of October, 1700.” These are entries of causes with, in many instances, the verdict given, and the costs. The back of the volume is entitled, “Entrys of Appances begining att Clonmell on Wednesday, the 9th October, 1700.” The second volume is kept in the same manner. The entries are in Latin, and partly in courthand.

ERROR, WRITS OF.—William III. and Anne, one file. These were, on a plenary grant of such a jurisdiction, the only Kings’ Writs that should run in a County Palatine. With these may be mentioned Writs of Justicies and other Writs, nearly corresponding to Writs of Error and Certioraris within the Palatinate itself, being Writs bringing up causes from the Town Court of Clonmel, the City Court of Cashel, the Sheriffs’ County Courts at Silvermines and Nenagh, and the Court Baron of the Manor of Thurles, to the Court of Record of the Palatinate. These latter are filed on the ordinary files of the Writs of the Court.

FINES, CONCORDS OF.—1698–1714. *Vide* Fines, Writs of Covenant.

FINES, FEET OR INDENTURES OF.—1664–1715. These are in good order and arrangement, and, where they are wanting, it is likely that the want arises, not from the loss of the Indenture, but from its not having been made out, the parties, perhaps, not being willing to go to the additional expense of having them engrossed. This would appear probable from the Table of Fees, in which an additional fee of £1 5s. 4d. is charged for the Indenture. It would appear that the Concord was considered a sufficient record of the Fine, inasmuch as the Proclamations are always indorsed. A complete Schedule of the Fines, containing parties’ names, and the names of lands, and showing what records exist for each Fine, has been made by Mr. Mills, and is appended to this my Report. This Schedule will, I trust, be very useful and interesting in a legal and genealogical point of view. No means of reference to these documents, which are of the same importance in relation to the titles of lands in the County Tipperary as those of like date in the Common Pleas are for the rest of Ireland, previously existed.

FINES, WRITS OF COVENANT, and CONCORDS, with the Proclamations and Affidavits of due acknowledgment indorsed on the ConCORDS.—1698–1714, and one of each of the years 1684, 1690, and 1695.

FINES, WRITS OF DEDIMUS.—1698–1714, attached to the ConCORDS.

INQUISITIONS ON OUTLAWRY AND AD QUOD DAMNUM.—Will. III. and Anne, one file. The inquisitions ad quod damnum one would expect to find with the Chancery Records, but I have not thought proper to separate them from the Records with which they were removed. For other law inquisitions see among the Writs, to which they are annexed.

MISCELLANEA.—Fragment of enrolment of grant from the Duke of Ormond, of the offices of Clerk of the Crown and Clerk of the Peace, to Andrew Ram and James Dobbins, recites a previous grant to William Ekins, dated 13 Novr., 35 Ch. II. This appears to have been used as an envelope for “Affidavits and Bills of Costs, pro ann’ 1682, 1683, 1684.”

Inspeximus, dated 16 Sept., 13 James I., by the Mayor and Aldermen of Kilkenny, of a Deed of Settlement by Thomas Earl of Ormond and Ossory, of the 14 Sept., 12 James I.

Fragment of an enrolment of an Act of Parliament relating to adventurers.

Enrolment of a grant to the Earl of Clanrickard, dated 8 Ap., 14 Ch. II. (Pat. Roll Ireland, 14 Ch. II., part 1, f.) The first and last membranes are wanting.

Enrolment of a decree by the Court of Claims for the Earl of Clanrickard, and a finding of a jury that he had been put in possession of the lands specified therein by the Sheriff of Tipperary, on the 1st June, 1663. Copy of Section 124 of the Act of Explanation (17 & 18 Charles II., ch. 2) with further finding of the jury in relation thereto.

Enrolment of a grant under the Act of Settlement to Arthur Earl of Anglesey (21 Charles II., part 2, d. A. S.)

PANELS.—13 & 14 Anne. See Venires.

PLACITA.—1664–1715. These are the enrolled pleadings; some with, and others without the judgments, and correspond to the Judgment Rolls of the Superior Courts. They are in regular sequence; the year 1707 alone being absent. There are similar enrolments under the 13 Edward I., and 7 William III., ch. 21, to which reference has been made above.

PLEADINGS.—1691–1715. Files for 1693, 1700, 1711, and 1712 are wanting. These include declarations and all pleadings thereunder. The Declaration Book is available as an index, the declarations being entered chronologically under their initial letters, and other pleadings under their respective declarations.

RECOVERIES.—1666–1715. The only records of these extant are the Writs of Entry and Warrants of Attorney, with the Writs of Dedimus potestatem when these were required. The records do not appear to have been enrolled, as according to the practice of the Common Pleas might have been expected.

I have appended at foot of this report a Schedule of the Recoveries (100 in number) made by Mr. Mills from the records above. A large proportion seem to have been suffered on tenants created by Fines. In these cases references are made to the Fines for the names of the lands.

RULE BOOKS.—Rough Court Books, 1691–1715. 28 volumes undindexed.

RULE BOOKS, engrossed. 2 volumes, 1691–1694, and 1696–1703, without indexes.

VENIRES AND PANELS.—One File, 13 and 14 Anne.

WRITS.—Will. III., and Anne. There are four irregular files of Judicial Writs of the usual nature, containing among them many returns in the form of inquisition, specifying amounts of damages, goods, &c.

WRITS OF COVENANT. See Fines.

WRITS OF DEDIMUS POTESTATEM. See Fines and Recoveries.

WRITS OF ENTRY. See Recoveries.

WRITS OF ERROR. See Error, Writs of.

WRITS OF OUTLAWRY and ad quod damnum, Will. III., and Anne. See Inquisitions.

In addition to the above, there is one parcel containing proceedings in actions commenced in the Palatine Court and continued in the Common Pleas, 1719 to 1723.

The arrangement of the Records of the Chancery of the Palatinate is nearly completed.

FINES LEVIED in the PALATINATE of TIPPERARY.

The reference letter W. stands for Writ of Covenant; D. for Writ of Dedimus; C. for Concord; F. for Foot. The numbers are those of the documents on their respective files.

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
1	Johanna Fitz Gerald, alias Everard, widow, def. Redmond Everard, bart., pl. 16 Sept., 1664.	Fethard, Killerck, Dromdile, Killnockane alias Knockane-stallyne, Fitz Robert's land alias Everard's land alias Everard's Grange, Crompes- land alias Crompesgrove, Coolemore, Coole Innyre, Rathfyan, Ballyboght, Corbally near Kiltynan, Leackane-keorish near Collman, Greetsland alias Farran Igrieta, Trinity land, Ballyknockane, in Tuo Clonyn, Knockelly, Leaghgarry, Condonstowne, Barretstowne, Killmacleay, Banogstowne, Farranahowe, Kil- turnagh, Crossoga, Longridge, Clonmell, Cashell, and Clare, 24 shillings from Josingstowne, one acre near Banogstowne, and three acres near Rathdrum. F. 2.
2	William Ffenton, knt., and Margaret, his wife, def. Ed. bishop of Cork, Cloyne, and Ross, and Anthony Raymond, gent., pl. 11 Jan., 1664.	Manor of Newcastle alias Cushlanenoe. Lands of Newcastle, Drumroe, Killnamony, Clashnagoule, the two Dangins, west part of Curraghrahayne, Currilegh, Curraghfrenyn, alias Coolepriavane, east part of Glanduffe, Bally- william, Lyresowne, Glancanno, east part of Curraghrahayne, Biallapurrine, Carrigvisteale, Dromglassee, Gort Ishell, Lishfansion, Roscleavane, Gurtine alias the Gurtins, Coolegiran-Roe, Shehin Rinkie, and Cooleroe. F. 1.
3	Redmond Everard, bart., def. George Mathew, Walter Butler, John Welsh, and Richard Everard, esqrs., pl. 17 Jan., 1667.	Premises same as No. 1. F. 3.
4	Solomon Cambie, and Alice, his wife, def. Charles Minchin, pl. 7 July, 1669.	Annagh, Kilbarron, Knockballea, Tullaghan, Kilbelew alias Kilbeller. bar. Lr. Ormond. Cons. £641. F. 4.
5	Richard Barrett, gent., and Mary, his wife, and Henry Nicoll, esq., def. George Mathew, esq., pl. 24 July, 1671.	Ballyduffe alias Anne alias Graige, Inchmahon, Gurteene. bar. Lr. Ormond. F. 5.
6	Francis Brewster, knight, and Anne, his wife, def. Richard Moore, esq., pl. 1st October, 1671.	Knockantample, Graundriny alias Garrandriny, Corantobermore, Farranleany, Caranleagh alias Caranoleagh, Boggstowne, and Hore Abbey. F. 6.
7	Bartholomew Ffowke, of Clon- more, esq., and Frances, his wife, def. George Sloughter, of Killogh, gent., pl. 8 April, 1675.	Cloghkildonagh alias moiety of Clonmore, Killogh- graffon alias Killoghy alias Killoghygraffin, Mucklonymore called Cullnickmore, Clonmore, Cullock in Budell alias Cooleogeny, Cullock, Evenerin alias Evagherin, Ballysorrell, and Dromard half of Clonbough. F. 7.

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	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
8	Hugh Ratcliffe, sen., Hugh Ratcliffe, jun., and Susanna, his wife, Chewning Ratcliffe, Nich. Lane, and Henry Cope, def. Edward Nelthorpe and William Howson, merchants, pl. 23 February, 1675.	Clonmel, Burgagery and suburbs of Clonmel, Rathronan, Lawiesstownebegg, Lisronagh, and Barnane. F. 9.
9	Henry Pagenham, and Anne, his wife, def. George Mathew, esq., pl. 28 February, 1675.	72A. 3R. 22P. of land in Ballyduffe alias Anne alias Graige, 73A. 1R. 13P. in Gurteene, and 7A. 1R. 13P. in Inchemahan. F. 8.
10	Richard Gower, esq., and Anne, his wife, and William Hyatt, gent., def. Richard Carleton, Merchant, pl. 25 April, 1676.	Knockanaminy. F. 10.
11	Pierce Butler, esq., and Catherine, his wife, def. Arthur Hide, esq., pl. 1 July, 1676.	Kilvealhairbeg, Seradeen alias Sradine, Ballygurteene, Ballyvorish alias Knockballyvorish, Cooleroe, Cloghkeene alias Raheene, Cloghkeene, Grallaghmore, and Dranganmore. F. 11.
12	James Butler, esq., and Joanna, his wife, def. Pierce Nagle, gent., pl. 28 February, 1677.	Fetherd, Moglasse, Kilbridy, Graigebarry, Sladagbegg, Faren-Itudy, Banekeile, and Founkes mill. F. 13.
13	Nicholas Purcell, esq., def. Theobald Mathew, esq., pl. 22 March, 1677.	Manor of Loughmoe, bar. Eliogorty, Manor of Coolekill, bar. Kilnelongorty. lands, &c., of Loughmoe, black Castle, Garrane-bany, Graigs, Clondoty, Killaghery, Kilkillaghery, Kilrush, Bollybristy, Lisseentagirt, Boelynahow, lower Dovea, Cloghrayle, Curraghmore, Brownestowne, Clonmogebeegg, Belladoage, Rathelty, Athindmore, Coolcollywood, Beakstowne, Ballycormucke alias Cornmucks-towne, Rorodstowne, Feartiany, Rathleasty, Coolekill, Killeeneleagh, Gurteeneouregane, Beallarusseene, and half Clareene, Roskeene, Dromballygormuck, Knockanes, and Gortkelly, Moher, Glanbeg, Gortaderry, Glanfinisin, three-fourth parts of Rosolty, part of Alshamboby, Seskinmore, Garranballym-crogh alias Knocknabansy; also the yearly Rent of 20s. issuing from Ballinross, Killeeneleagh, Coolegerron, and Gortmcderry, 15s. from Clonmoge-more, 30s. from Athin and Coolecolly, 26s. from Rorodstowne, 17s. 11d. from Curraghmore, 3s. 9d. from Cranagh, Dromin, lisdelyne, Ballyhenesy, the quarter of land of Clonbogh, Ballysaroll, Killovinoge and Garrandoe, 16s. 8d. from Clonogahagh, 10s. 6d. from Curraghmackil, 12s. 6d. from Glannishmaveagh, 8d. from Commer, 1s. 3d. from Fayleneman, 2s. from Garrankilkey, 1s. 10d. from Toweribogh, 1s. 4d. from Gortnacrossy, 9d. from Glasdere-gane, 2s. 8d. from Gortclonmorroghy, 5d. from Seskinbeg, 1s. 6d. from Clonstorogh, 3s. from

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	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
		Cappanville, 4 <i>d.</i> from Curroghnemogh, 1 <i>s.</i> from Carne, 1 <i>s.</i> 6 <i>d.</i> from Carnegare alias Shortquarter, £1 9 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> from Finihy, 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> from Gortnaskehly, 4 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> from Bellaghoughter, 3 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> from Knockaneavorney, 2 <i>s.</i> from the third part of Lisnaselly, 16 <i>s.</i> from the halfe colp of land of Lisnaselly, late the property of John Ryan of Lisnaselly, 1 <i>s.</i> from Curraghtarsny, £1 9 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i> from Athshanbohy, 5 <i>s.</i> from Shanknock and Bellaghboy, 1 <i>s.</i> from the fourth part of Rosolty, 3 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> from Bellaghane, 1 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> from Lackanacurry. F. 12.
14	Edward Vernon, of Northastowne, Oxfordshire, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. John Keateing, esq., pl. 11 July, 1678.	West part of Ballyneale, Ballyquirkin, Ballynemony, Ballyneclonee, and Brittas. Cons. £1,000. F. 14.
15	Pierce Nagle, gent., and James Butler, gent., and Jane, his wife, def. James Kearney, gent., pl. 26 February, 1680.	Moglasse, Killbridy, and in half of Graigebarry. F. 15.
16	William Bulkeley, of Priory, St. Helens, I. of Wight, esq., and Mary, his wife, def. Richard Moore, of Clonmell, esq., pl. 20 April, 1682.	Crannagh, Garrymore, Gurteene, Gurteenedangan, Aghallmore, and Killeskehane, bar. Ikerrin. Lisnegitt alias Lisnegate, bar. Eliogurty. Bernane alias Gernaue, Ballymacrees alias Ballymakreer, and Killevardy, bar. Ikerrin. F. 17.
17	Charles Allcocke, sen., of Powers-towne, def. William Pleydell, of Dublin, esq., and John fletcher, of the same, esq., pl. 20 April, 1682.	Borhinduffe, west part of Croan, north part of Moorstownewalsh alias Ballinemony, Ballyrobin, Glaneleamy, Monemihill, east part of Clonmell and Powerstowne. bar. Iffa and Offa. F. 18.
18	John Dawson, esq., and Eleanor, his wife, def. Ambrose Mandevill, esq., pl. 16 August, 1682.	Minerstowne. F. 16.
19	Symon finch, of Killcoleman, esq., and Lady Hester, his wife, def. Edward Warter, esq., pl. 12 July, 1683.	Famet, Toreenebryen called the Common belonging to Machynagh, Portnenalasky, Dromeene, Shurlaghan, Shurehegg, Ayleduffe, Lackeyle, Cuonemore, and Cooleagh. Territory of Owny. F. 19.
20	Henry Charnly and Frances, his wife, def. Godfrey Greene, gent., pl. 19 Sept., 1684.	Moorestowne, Crockanangle, and Rathmore alias Corknought. bar. Iffa and Offa. Cons. £100. F. 20.
21	James Butler, of Ballylosky, esq., and Joanna Butler, alias FitzGerald, alias Keefe, alias Everard, his wife, def. Dudley Bagenall, of Dunleckny, Co. Carlow, esq., pl. 19 Sept., 1684.	Rathm ^c Carthy, Sladaghbegg, Banknel, and Far-rancody. Cons. £150. F. 23. W., C., 1 a.

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	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
22	Joseph Clutterbucke, merchant, def. Lawrence Clutterbucke, clerk, pl. 20 Sept., 1684.	A moiety of:—Rathcoole, part of Ballyvaden, north part of Derryluskin, both parts of Gragelevan, north part of Ballybadley, part of Coleman alias Coolemayne, north part of Coolemaine, east part of Raylestowne, east part of Rathbrittin, north part of Garranbrenacke, and part of Preistowne. bar. Middlethird. Cons. £620. F. 21.
23	Barnaby, lord Baron of Upper Ossory, and Lady Margaret, def. his wife, def. Thadeus Meagher, of Lismalin, gent., pl. 20 Sept., 1684.	Miltowne. Cons. £500. F. 22.
24	Hon. Theobald, Ld. Baron of Caher, def. Ambrose Mandeville, esq., pl. 25 February, 1690.	Keillifernagh and Beallanahymore. bar. Iffa and Offa. Cons. £930. F. 24.
25	Henry Steevens and Susan, his wife, def. John Rogerson, alderman, pl. 24 June, 1692.	Killynecronigan, Roughan, Ballyea, Lackeen, Graige. bar. L. Ormond. F. 29.
26	Paul Keating, of Richestowne, gent., and Anne, his wife, def. John White, of Ardfinane, gent., pl. 3 March, 1692.	Farranneddeene. bar. Iffa and Offa. F. 30 and 34 (duplicate).
27	Richard Carter, gent., and Mary, his wife, and Henry Carter, def. John Heade, esq., pl. 27 April, 1693.	Rinensey. bar. Oweny and Arra. Cons. £90. F. 31.
28	Chidley Coote, of Ardmayle, esq., and Eleanor Coote, alias Walden, his wife, def. Richard, earl of Ballemont, pl. 26 July, 1693.	Ardmayle, part of Castlemayle, Ballyroe, Bawnemore. F. 33 and 35 (duplicate).
29	William Lane, of Killeene, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Gilbert Treyer, of Clonmel, mercht., pl. 28 Sept., 1693.	Cattiganstowne. bar. Sleavardagh. Cons. £300. F. 38.
30	Thomas Cleare, sen., esq., and Hanna, his wife, def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 29 Sept., 1693.	Cappagh, Keilemekevong, and Kilbury. bar. Sleavardagh and Crimsy. Cons. £800. F. 32.
31	Abraham Boman, gent., and Charity, his wife, def. John floord, esq., pl. 27 February, 1693.	Shanballymohoony and Carrogare. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £50. F. 36.
32	Robert Bowen, oil merchant, and Martha, his wife, def. Samuel Southcott, gent., pl. 27th February, 1693.	Curragheene, Garrymorris, and Ballinvare. bar. Slevardagh and Compsey. Cons. £60. (In Concord £70.) D., C., 1.—F. 37.

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	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
3	John Carroll, of Killcog, gent., and Ellis, his wife, def. John Head, esq., pl. 23 April, 1694.	Dary, part of Kilfadda, Dromkilfadda, and part of Ballinruddery. par. Eglish. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £80 5s. 8d. F. 25.
4	William Nicholson, gent., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Gilbert Treyer, of Clonmel, merchant, pl. 23 April, 1694.	Richardstown and part of Mainestowne. bar. Iffa and Offa. F. 28.
35	James Hamilton, of the city of Dublin, esq., son and heir of James Hamilton, late of same city, esq., decd., and grandson of Revd. William Hamilton, late Archd. of Emly, decd., and sole exor. of the last will of Isabella, mother of the said James; and Judith, his wife, def. Thomas Howell, of the city of Dublin, merchant, pl. 25 Septr., 1694.	North Clonmore and South Clonmore. bar. Middlethird. Cons. £647. F. 39.
36	James Hamilton, of Cashell, gent., and Judith, his wife, def. Oliver Latham, of Meldrum, esq., pl. 26 Septr., 1694.	Killballyherebry, Graygynorty, and the mountain of Killballyherebry, alias Shirripstowne. bar. Middlethird. Cons. £400. F. 27.
37	John Keating, gent., and Cecil, his wife, def. George McEnneiry, gent., pl. 28 February, 1694.	Knockine, Courtnoe, Barneskaghnaerin, Knock- inekile, Gortanargid, Upper Derrigrath, Knock- necally, and Knockineskehyny. Cons. £200. F. 26.
38	John Rice, of Hospitall, Co. Lim., esq., and Christian, his wife, def. Robert Rochefort, of the city of Dublin, and Anderson Saun- ders, of the same, esq., pl. 10 April, 1695.	One-fourth part of Monsea. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £55. D., C., 2. F. 40.
39	Robert, earl of Roscommon, def. Henry Steevens, of the city of Dublin, merchant, pl. 27 August, 1695.	Corballis alias Incheneboe alias Inchenemoe, and all tithes of the parish of Corballis. F. 41.
40	Charles Delaune, of the city of Dublin, esq., and Anne, his wife, def. Gideon Delaune, of the city of Dublin, esq., pl. 13 April, 1697.	Rathduffe, alias Blackrath. bar. Iffa and Offa. F. 42.
41	John, Lord Berkeley, baron of Stratton, and Jane Martha, his wife, def. Richard Daniell, gent., pl. 13 April, 1697.	Two parts of the Tithes of the Rectory of Bally- negarry, in Fanningswood, over and above the third belonging to the vicar of the same; also the Rectory and tithes of Ballinclogh. Cons. £1,400. F. 44.

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	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
42	Edmund Walsh, of Carrigtohir, esq., and Christiana, his wife, and Lewis Walsh, gent., his son and heir, def. Peter Goodwin, of the city of Dublin, gent., pl. 20 April, 1697.	Carrigtohir alias Carrigtoher, Curraghnennan, Knockanepissy alias Knockanepissa, Garrane alias Garane, Sheseragrachine, Tiresallagh alias Dromine, and Bunagurt alias Bunugurt. bar. Ony and Arra. Cons. £690. F. 43.
43	James Wansborough, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Nicholas Toller, gent., pl. 21 April, 1697.	Ballycane alias Killalane. bar. Owney and Arra. Cons. £300. F. 46.
44	John Cooley, gent., def. Henry Hodgson, gent., pl. 21 April, 1697.	Lisseenerahy alias Liseenreagh, Garranabally alias Garranerahy, Lisboure alias Lislowry, Lackanabraday, Killrosse, and Classnemony, Cranagh, and Knockaran. F. 49.
45	Thomas Shepheard, gent., def. Phanuel Cooke, jun., gent., pl. 9 July, 1697.	Atty James, and old Castle. bar. Sleavardagh and Compsey. F. 45.
46	Rachel Gason, widow, def. Thomas Cleare, jun., gent., pl. 9 October, 1697.	Drumcawe, Killeen alias Magherireale, Capanveale, Knockanehosee, Seskinback, Moglan alias Moughlane, Carough, Knockanewowne, Rosmult, Newtowne, Roskeene, Aghullurst, Coldoter, Allongort, Toryabow, Croghnemow, and Dromeenegowre. F. 47.
47	Harbred Norman, gent., and Ellen, his wife, def. Richard Dennison, gent., pl. 23 February, 1697.	Derryluscane, Coolmoynne, part of Coolemoynne, Garrandraky, Brakagh, Raheene, and Garryard, Milltowne, Rathduffe, Rathsallagh, Rathbritt, Boffonagh, alias Glanclegin, Temple quarter, alias Knocktemple, and Gragelevane. bar. Middlethird. F. 53.
48	Nicholas Purcell, esq., def. George Mathew, esq., pl. 24 February, 1697.	Beakestowne, Rahely, Clondoty, Belladuagy, Clonmuckogebege, Garranbany, Lisseentagurt, Bolynahow, Coolekeile, Killeenleagh, Roskeene, Belarusseen, Athsanbohy, Rosoulty, Glanbeg, Mohir, Knocknababansy, Seskin, Glanfinnin, and Knockballygormuckan. F. 50.
49	John Parker, and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Nicholas Toler, gent., pl. 24 February, 1697.	Ballymakeogh, Garryteige, Moneruscullin, Curraghmiran, Gowlane, Ilandmore, Gortuaneilly, and Rossory. bar. Owney and Arra. Cons. £701. F. 51.
50	Theobald, Lord Baron of Caher, def. Ambrose Mandeville, esq., pl. 25 February, 1697.	Keillifernagh and Beallnahymore. bar. Ifa and Offa. Cons. £930. F. 48.
51	Thomas Cleare, jun., gent., and Esther, his wife, def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 26 February, 1697.	Ballidugen, and part of Westpolecaple. bar. Slevardagh and Compsey. Cons. £260. F. 54.

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	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
52	Thomas Cleare, sen., esq., and Patience, his wife, def. Thomas Cleare, jun., gent., pl. 26 February, 1697.	Killbury, Ballydugin, and part of Westpolecaple. bar. Slevardagh and Compsey. Cons. £100. F. 55 and 60.
53	Kingsmill Penefather, esq., and Elizabeth Penefather, alias Bolton, his wife, def. Richard Leake, clerk, pl. 7th May, 1698.	Clonyharpe, Carrnegare, Garranemore, Knock- toyle, Lisheene, Derrybegg, Graige, Culebane, Culenegranagh, part of Kilshane and Bally- duffe, Derrymore, Rathkinane, Clonyrosse, Moyaliffe, and Polevarley. bar. Kilnemannagh. C. 3; F. 56.
54	Augustine Everard, gent., and Joanna, his wife, def. Mathew Jacob, esq., pl. 29 July, 1698.	in Town of Fethard, Ashparke. bar. Middlethird. Cons. £30. F. 52 and 61.
55	John flanning, esq., and Anne, his wife, and William flanning, gent., def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 12 Decemr., 1698.	Ballingarry alias Barta, Glanegaule, Garrane- macvile alias Garrymcole, Ballaghboy, and Garryvohouse. bar. Slevardagh and Compsey. Cons. £2,200. F. 57.
56	John Hoyle, of the city of Dublin, esq., and Mary, his wife, def. William Berry, esq., pl. 12 Decemr., 1698.	[Ballyeden?]. bar. Up. Ormond. F. 59.
57	William Purefoy, of Purefoy's Place, King's Co., esq., com- monly called major Purefoy, def. John Quine, of the City of Dublin, gent., and Loftus Muschamp, of the same, gent., pl. 17 February, 1698.	Ballysheeda, Anacarthy, Gortnegragy, part of Cappagh, Fennehensey, part of Cappagh, Glan- padin alias Lackaleagh, part of Cappagh, Allenemuckaduffe, part of Ballysynode, north and south parts of Clothnageeragh, Rossacra, Shanaknock, Knockantobrien alias Bonnereagh, Carrokeele, Knockgorman alias Leashknock. C., 11.
58	Edmund Butler, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Thomas Batty, esq., pl. 27 March, 1699.	Monroe, Lisdundaverron, Clyduffe, and Ballane- moe. bar. Owney and Arra. Cons. £44. W., D., C., 4.
59	James Butler, esq., and Margaret, his wife, def. Most Noble James, Duke of Ormond, pl. 18 April, 1699.	Ballynehensy, Ballynehinchy, Shanballybegg, Fahimteaghane, Cloghvosselly, Laggadrissy, Ballytubbert, Ballyhibbert alias Hobertstowne alias Robertstowne, Lisseen Irea, Clakillindowne, Templehetoghy, Rathbawne, BallyRobert, Ra- heenmony, and Monenorehy alias Sunghane. Cons. £400. W., C., 5.
60	Edward Riley, esq., and Mary, his wife, def. James Harrison, esq., pl. 21 June, 1699.	Ballistena, Gortnebeast, Knockanree alias Knock- anreer alias Knockkane alias Knockannacree, and part of Gortnevally. Cons. £708. C., 7.

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	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
61	William Herbert, gent., and Lucy, his wife, Francis Stephens, gent., and Jane, his wife, George Hart, gent., and Lucy, his wife, def. Thomas Carpenter, gent., and Jeremiah Mount, gent., pl. 27 June, 1699.	Cloughprior and Ballybegg. bar. L. Ormond. W., C., 8.
62	Laurence Esmond, of Huntington alias Clonegall, Co. Carlow, bart., def. Robert Doyne, esq., Chief Baron of the King's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, and Mathew fford, of Coolegreney, Co. Wexford, esq., pl. 13 July, 1699.	The Manor of Clonoula and the Site of the preceptory of Clonola alias Clonoulty; and lands of Grangemockler, Ballytohill, Ballinrewan, Clonmore, Preirstowne, FarranJordan, and Clonoulty; also the rectories of Templeheny, Killo-lowan, Shanknight alias Shanrahin alias Templehuny alias Templehenny, Killneglish alias Killmolash, and Neddans; also all tithes in Neddans. Grangemockleere, Arleant alias Ard-mayle, Clongudagh alias Glanhackett, Arch-clare alias Coolevandon, Ballypeirce, Cloonbur-kin, Killmore, Killery, Clonbowe, Clovenes, and Tories. C., 13; F. 63.
63	Samuel Hearne, of the City of Waterford, gent., and Mary Hearne, alias Thomas, his wife, def. Thomas Salmon, gent., pl. 14 July, 1699.	In Loughstreete, in the town of Clonmell. Cons. £63 18s. D., C., 6; F. 65.
64	James Butler, esq., def. Richard Pyne, knt., Chief Justice of the King's Bench, John Hely, knt., Chief Justice of the Common Bench, Robert Doyne, esq., Chief Baron of the Exchequer, Robert Roch-ford, esq., Atty.-Gen., and Alan Brodricke, esq., solicitor-Gen., pl. 20 February, 1699.	Garranvally, Lackan-teadane, Ballylenty, and Garryduffe. Cons. £800. W., C., 14.
65	Peter Dalton, sen., of Grenans-towne, gent., Peter Dalton, jun., of Ballyanraghane, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Elizabeth Prittie, widow, pl. 23 February, 1699.	Ballyanraghane. bar. Up. Ormond. Cons. £200. D., C., 10; F. 66.
66	Daniel Ryan, gent., and Honor, his wife, def. George Evans, jun., of Cahir-asse, esq., pl. 29 February, 1699.	Ballymakeogh, Mone shollope, and Clonbun-ny. Bar. Owny and Arra. Cons. £500. D., C., 12; F. 62.
67	Richard Lahiffe, gent., and Ellis, his wife, and Anastacia Lahiffe, alias Hackett, widow, def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 29 February, 1699.	Gortinhow, a garden near Cleyduffe, a garden outside the gate called Halfegate, a little garden near the same within the walls, and a toft where Robert Lahiffe formerly lived, within the burgagery and liberties of Fethard, containing five acres profitable land, burgage measure. Cons. £40. F. 64.

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68	Henry Fox, of the city of Dublin, esq., and Frances Fox, commonly called viscountess Galway, his wife, def. Nicholas Toler, of Graige, gent., pl. 29 February, 1699.	Kilteloge and part of Killedangin. Cons. £290. C., 9; F. 67.
69	John Hunt, of Carney, esq., and Wornell Hunt, of the city of Dublin, gent., son and heir of the said John Hunt, def. Anderson Saunders, of the city of Dublin, esq., pl. [] 1699.	Carney. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £1,250. F. 68.
70	John Walsh, of Ballinvohir, esq., and Catherine, his wife, def. James Hackett, of Lissevea, pl. 12 April, 1700.	Rathkevan, Ballyvaheene, Ballyvillish, 136A., Ballynemony, 59A., Ballinvohir, 47A., Ballyveghane, 67A. Bar. Iffa and Offa. Cons. £700. W., D., C., 20.
71	Richard Carroll, gent., and Ellen, his wife, def. Thomas Toler, esq., pl. 28 June, 1700.	Lisseene, Ballynamony, Kilkery. Bar. Up. Ormond. Cons. £300. D., C., 18.
72	Right Hon. Pierce, Lord Viscount Ikerryn, def. Rt. Hon. William, Earl of Inchiquin, William, Lord Viscount Mountjoy, and John Dillon, Knight, pl. 5th July, 1700.	Clonenulchon, Inshirorke, Tomony, Clonbuogh, Gortahee, TullomcJames, Dromin, Lissdeelleens, Garranes, Garrinabuy, Longorchard, Barnan-lisseene, Garrinoe, Garrinegree, Ballygalvane, Lismaling, Gragagh, Hands, Graigeshonen, Barronstown, Rathmanagh, Buolibehies, and Ballyncurry. C., 19; F. 69.
73	Charles Alcocke, of Powerstown, esq., and Anne, his wife, def. Robert Collpepyre, gent., pl. 5th July, 1700.	Borhinduffe, west part of Croan, north part of Moorstownewalsh alias Ballynemony, Ballyrobbin, Glanleamy, Monemihill, east part of Clonmell, and Powerstowne. bar. Iffa and Offa. C., 17; F. 70.
74	John Hall, gent., and Dorothy, his wife, def. Daniel Golburne, of the City of Dublin, esq., pl. 5th July, 1700.	Lackeene, Liskurreene, and Ballybreene. C., 16.
75	James Roch, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Stephen Pourquier, gent., pl. 7th October, 1700.	Logh Street in the town of Clonmell. Cons. £320. W., D., C., 21.
76	Nathaniel Lucas, of Clonmell, esq., John Barnes, jun., of the city of Dublin, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. James Langley, of the city of Dublin, merchant, pl. 17th February, 1700.	Lickfin and Tullyquane. Bar. Slevardagh. Cons. £270. C., 15.

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77	Wornell Hunt, gent., def. Anderson Saunders, esq., pl. 19th April, 1701.	[]. See Recovery, No. 48. Cons. £140. C., 26.
78	Edward Butler, of Banshagh, esq., def. James Butler, gent., and Denis Meagher, gent., pl. 14 October, 1701.	Manor of Banshagh; lands of Banshagh, Rathderby, Rathroe, Ballaghcoolecunna, Pollaghbegg, Synganagh, Ballinlogh, and Ballybiggane; and the yearly Rent of £6 4s. 8d. out of Kiltunby, Gorteward, Cooleenepishy, Glanbane, Lattinbegg, Lattinmore, and Rossadrihid. C., 25; F. 71.
79	George Matthew, of Thomastowne (Tip.), esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. George Matthew, sen., of Thurles, esq., and Thomas Matthew, of the same, esq., pl. 20th October, 1701.	Archerstowne and Rathmanagh, Foulcherstowne, Ballyglasseene, Ballyknaveene, Graigepadin, and Lisduffe, Cooleagh, Cooleens, part of Knockackly, west part of Culloghill, Culloghill, Curroghkeile, Fantane, Monecarnane, Ballyduffe, part of Ann and Graige, Inchymahine, part of Gurteene, Gattaghstowne, Linane, part of Monea, Gortgarrane, Gortnadorane, Ballytrim, and Ballydonogh, Pallis, Ballylorcan, Moneheily alias Ballyhenery, Alleenhogan, Alleenbourke and Ballyneale, Alleenbourke and part of Moneheily, Templenehurny, Clonmore, Ballysorrell and Dromardbeg, Shankill, and Dromard. D., C., 22; F. 72.
80	Thomas Sadleir, senior, esq., and Thomas Sadleir, jun., gent., def. Thomas Tilson, jun., gent., pl. 22nd October, 1701. (Duplicate dated 16 Oct.)	Ballyvolbessa, Cloghbeagh, Cuilnalagha alias Culnamogh, Kilkena part of Lisbrian, Lismorory, Clannon part of Garrane, Ballyvonin, Farrenm ^e Rannell, Garran, Killconyhenimore, Killconyhenibegg, Ballynehencie, Carrick part of the same, Ballingarry, Tirleagh, Rathmane, Criragh, Kilnalagha alias Sopwellhall, Dromanure, Lismallin, Ballylina, Clarekeele, Ballybrin, Gurteene, and Lisbrian. bar. L. Ormond. C., 24; F. 58 and 73.
81	Luke Mathews, gent., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. William Jaques, gent., pl. 11 March, 1701.	Macknee. bar. Owny and Arra. Cons. £100. D., C., 27.
82	Hon. James Fz. Maurice, esq., and Catherine Fitz Maurice, alias Harman, his wife, def. Richard Locke, esq., pl. [] 1701.	A Messuage erected upon the east gate and certain ruined messuages adjoining, and also a tenement and piece of land extending to the South Gate, held by Thomas Chadwick; and other Messuages, &c., now or late held by Margaret Prince, widow, Richard Butterfield, Francis Saule, Margaret Morgan, John Kearny, Robert Saule, Oliver Latham, Robert Stephens and William Rouse, John Ryan, John Landors, Charles Robinson, James Lees, James Martin, Thomas Chadwick, Josiah Hollington, John Teate, Thomas Lindop, Laurence Hickey. par. St. John Baptist within the city of Cashel. Cons. £450. W., D., C., 23.
83	Anthony Savage, gent., and Margaret, his wife, def. Richard Savage, gent., pl. 16 April, 1702.	Derryluscane, Coolemoynne, part of Coolemoynne, Garrandraky, Brakagh, Raheene, Garryard, Milltowne, Rathduffe in Rathsallagh, Rathbritt, Bossonagh alias Glanclegin, Templequarter alias Knocktemple, Grazelebane. Bar. Middlethird. C., F. (File of Concords), 121.

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84	Alexander Walker, of Langanach, Carmarthenshire, gent., def. Michael Head, of the city of Waterford, esq., pl. 24th May, 1702.	Ballyhagh, Killbegg alias Rathbegg, Moonlesky, Dara alias Dairey, Ballycormuck alias Killcormuck. Bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £1,400. D., C., 29.
85	Thomas Purcell, of Coolegarrane, gent., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. John Purcell, gent., pl. 8th July, 1702.	Clonemuckogemore and the hamlets thereof, viz.: Garryranel, Cloghtinakarunie, Coolebane, and Moneme. Cons. £60. C., 32; F. 74.
86	William Bacon, gent., def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 22nd Oct., 1702.	Garranegoyale. Bar. Middlethird. Cons. []. C., 33.
87	Nicholas Purcell, of Luoghmoie, esq., def. John Marshall, of Clonmellon, gent., and John White, of Cappagh, esq., pl. 4th Nov., 1702.	Manor of Luoghmoie; lands, &c., of Luoghmoie Graigeffreaghane, Tenvohir, Beackstowne, Cloghrayle. Bar. Eliogurty and Ikyrrin. Cons. £1,000. D., C., 30.
88	Erasmus Smith, of Hamerton, Huntingdonshire, esq., def. John Pyke, of Woodingstowne, esq., pl. 21st Dec., 1702.	West part of Ferancliffe, Ardivillane, Shrigangowne, part of Bruce, East part of South of Bruce, Carron, Barronstowne-laffan, Greenerath, part of Town and lands of Tipperary, called William Ryan's part, and John Bourke's part of Tipperary, Farrenassy, Tulla, Emly, Ballynelard, Gortnockeare, Garrancantony, Knockitastane, Westcley-Kenny, Garrishilane, Middlecley-Kenny, Eastcley-Kenny, Lackanagullugulagh, Ratheny, Cley Kenny, Ballyglass-Iteragh, Clonfinglass, Knockballynoe, Kilmoroge, Sailaghudmore, part of Kilsallagh, Cordangan, Rathinevenrayne, Thurlessebegg, Gort M ^c Ellize, Ballysheehane, Glassclohane, Marshallstowne, Banedrely, Clonmore, Newtowne, Lyonstowne, Ballycomisk, Ballyduagh, Stephenstownebegg, Ballyfellymore, Kiballyfolly, Miltowne alias Windmill, Killscobin, Stephenstownemore, Ballinree alias Heathstowne, Ballinree, Ballytassnyhackett, Ballycomin, Gaile, Salesquarter. Bar. Clanwilliam and Middlethird. D., C., 31.
89	George Hickman, of the city of Dublin, gent., and Catherine, his wife, def. Stephen Ludlow and Francis Bernard, esq., pl. 10 February, 1702.	Sheally. C. (duplicates) 34.
90	John ffoord, of the city of Limerick, alderman, def. Nicholas ffoord, of the city of Cork, merchant, pl. 24 February, 1702.	Carrow, Shanballymahony, part of Adrigan, Ballyrickard, Colederry, and Grage. bar. L. Ormond. W., D., C., 28; F. 73.
91	Laurence Hodson and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Thomas Batty, esq., pl. 24 February, 1702.	Ballyboy alias Ballyboe, and Ballynaven. W., D., C., 35; F. 76.

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92	Walter Britten, of Hilltowne, gent., def. Michael Kearney, of Killosty, gent., pl. 19 June, 1703.	Milltowne, Ballybrenan. bar. Middlethird. Cons. £165. D., C., 38.
93	George Warter Story and Catherine Story alias Warter, his wife, def. John White, esq., pl. 25th June, 1703.	Lely and Fannett, Ayleduffe, Conomore alias Conamore, Cullinagh, Barnadounnee, Common called Toreenbryen, Mackinagh, Dromine. Bar. Owny and Arra. 150 acres in Barnadaroge. Bar. Clanwilliam. C., 37.
94	John Cantwell, gent., and Phillis his wife, Brian Kearney, gent., and Ellis, his wife, def. Edmund Ryan, esq. lawyer, pl. 16 March, 1703.	Ballyvada, alias Ballyvady, Ballyknockan alias Knockanglass. Cons. £800. D., C., 40.
95	Anthony Savage, gent., and Margaret Savage, alias Butler, his wife, def. Edward Stratford, of Belane, Co. Kildare, esq., pl. 18 March, 1703.	Rathbriitt and Derryloskane. bar. Middlethird. W., D., C., 41; F. 77 and 78.
96	James Butler, of Kilveolegher, esq., def. John Butler, of Whitescourt, alias Westcourt, Co. Kilkenny, esq., pl. 18 March, 1703.	Kilvelligher alias Kilvelleaghermore, Killvellighairebegg, Scradeene, Ballygurteene, Ballyboorees alias Knockballymoris, Cloghkeine alias Raheene, Cloghkeina, parcel of Grallaghmore, Towreene, and Coolroe, Dranganmore, Brensagh, Brensaghbegg alias quarter of Bohirmore, Clonpett, Ardlemeane, Ballynacally, Leaghgarrane, Bohirmore, and Rathkea. bar. Clanwilliam. W., D., C., 42; F. 83.
97	James Harrison, esq., and Grizell, his wife, def. Thomas Baldwin, esq., pl. 21st March, 1703.	Cloghjordan, Garrane. Bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £1,500. W., D., C., 43.
98	Peter Dalton, gent., and Margaret Dalton, alias Wogan, his wife, def. Daniel O'Meara, esq., Anthony Carroll, esq., Henry Oxburgh, esq., and Nicholas Wogan, esq., pl. 22 April, 1704.	Grenanstowne, Ballyncurragh, Knockbrack, Glangeiry and Keillruffett, and Boleteeny in Parish of Killmore, and Boleteeny in Parish of Dolla, Tullemoylin, Ballyneny and Tullemoylin, and Traverstown. bar. up. Ormond. W., D., C., 39; F. 79.
99	Nicholas Toler, gent., and Eleanor, his wife, Jane, wife of Samuel Greene, esq., and Margaret Wilkes, def. John Creighton, gent., pl. 25 April, 1704.	Cleycorca, alias Cleycroca. Cons. £620. D., C., 44.

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100	Rt. Hon. Edward, earl of Meath, and Rt. Hon. Cecilia, his wife, def. John Lovett, of the city of Dublin, esq., pl. [] June, 1704.	Rochestowne, Drumgill, Gortenecranagh, Gortenebarnagh, Cruttagh alias Crutta, Loughloughery-Keating, Ardfinane, Farrane-English, Shortcastle, Millfield, Richardstowne alias Richestowne, Clonecody, Garrylish, Gurteene, Baroane, Killymoane. Drumtarsney, Rathcordane, Gortnarange. Cons. £3,000. C., 36.
101	John Hackett, of Feathard, gent., def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 20 July, 1704.	Garryntarny and other premises in the town of Fethard; a large garden near Sparrygilleagh, 2A. in Gortnahowe, 1A. in Kiltully, and 3A. in Killteynane within the liberties of Fethard. Cons. £72. W., C., 45. F. 85.
102	Lovelace Taylor, of Noan, gent., def. Robert Hackett, of Thurles, pl. 21 July, 1704.	Noan, Ballygrenhy, Roanmooly. C., 46.
103	William Gratracks, esq., def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 19 Sept., 1704.	Killmolash and Mulloghony. Cons. £340. W., D., C., 47. F. 80.
104	Henry Swanton, esq., and Jane, his wife, Gerard Boate, gent., and Rachel, his wife, def. Richard Warburton, esq., pl. 19 Sept., 1704.	Clonikeny. Cons. £700. C., 48. F. 82 and 84.
105	James Grace, gent., def. Edward Mandeville, gent., and James Butler, gent., pl. 27th Sept., 1704.	Casestowne, Athindmore, and Athinbegg, Cullycolly, Cleane, Turklagh, Kilclony, Moynearde, Athshanboly. C. 54.
106	John Cliffe, of Rosse, Co. Wex- ford, esq., and Barbara, his wife, def. Edward Carr, of the City of Cork, esq., pl. 6 Jany., 1704.	Lismacne, Killoquirke, Bansha, Ballybirian, Fierty, Ballyglas, Ballydavy, Corrahanna, Kollevongy alias Colemongy. Cons. £50. D., C., 49, F. 81.
107	William Baker, of Lathinmore, def. Joseph Damer, gent., pl. 21st April, 1705.	Lathinmore, Lathinbegg, Kilpatrick, Killinnenalliffe. Bar. Clanwilliam. Cons. £300. C., 53.
108	Robert Maude, bart., def. Silvester Cross, esq., pl. 5th June, 1705.	Carrowkeile, Ballintemple alias Lisnegiltoragh Dory, Ballyvillode, Dundrum alias Drumdonnagh, Garriduffe, and Lassenagh, Carrowetrogh, Gartussa, Clone part of Thory, West Corbally, Gortnesbehy, Ballysynode, Rossacleynoe, Drominaconna, Gortinedowley, Graffingbegg, Bealagh-Bryen, Garreyory, Gortafora, Couletanchard, Gortnagranagh, Coulerussine, Mokarky, Coolekipp, Parkstowne, and part of Curragheen, and fairs and markets of Dundrum. C., 50.

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109	Rt. Hon. Clotworthy, Ld. Visc. Massareene, and Rt. Hon. Clotworthy Skiffington, esq., his son and heir apparent, def. Rt. Hon. Morrogh, Ld. Visc. Blessinton, and Rt. hon. James Ld. Visc. Strabane, and Earl of Abercorne, pl. 28th June, 1705.	Ardmaile, Ballytrassni - M ^o Koorish, Killooty, Killbragh, Rathkeny, Tullaghmaine, Farrenhitagh, Gleslagger, Garrenwhisty, Ataranykirky, part of two Barrygarrells, Weddingstowne, Carvrykeenveagh, and part of Knockeneveagh, Cadlestowne, Chamberlinstowne, lower and upper Loghkent alias Acrincallane, Newchurch alias Templenoe, Killinsteany, Erry, Knock, Kurragh, Knocknacple, Ballynonane alias Ballynenane, Leakanadraky alias Leckandraky, Moorstowne-kirke, Stealanitty, and Georgesland alias Lincorn, and messuages in City of Cashell. C., 57. F., 86.
110	James Butler, and Margaret, commonly called Lady Viscountess Gormanstowne, his wife, def. Bowen Brereton, of Loghtiogue, Queen's Co., gent., pl. 30 June, 1705.	Kilvillighermore, Killvelligherbegg, Scradeene, Dranganmore, Towreene, Ballygurteene, Cogheroe, Ballyvorres, Raheene, Cloghkeene, Brensaghl, Brensaghbegg, Garryduffe, Balluncally, Ardlemane, Ballinleenty, Clonpett, Bohirmore, Rathkea, Laccanteadane, Knockaneriegh, Dranganbegg, and Clonluske. Bar. Clanwilliam. W., D., C., 51.
111	Joseph Nicholson, gent., and William Nicholson, goldsmith, def. Phaniel Cooke, of Clonomichan, gent., and Godfrey Greene, of Moorestone, gent., pl. 5 January, 1705.	Carraganroe, and part of Crannagh, Garryroe, Scartagh, and Carrimore; also a thatched house with a ruined stone house and area, and also another stone house lately held by Allen Pickett, situate in South-lane, in the north part of Clonmel. W., D., C., 52.
112	Rt. Hon. Hester Finch, widow of the Hon. Symon Finch, late of Kilcolman, esq., and William Finch, senr., of Slise, Hartfordshire, esq., and Alice, his wife, and Wm. Finch, jun., of the same, gent., def. Pierce Nugent, of Durrow, King's Co., esq., and Dudley Moore, of Tullamore, same Co., gent., pl. 27 February, 1705.	Kilcolman, Gurteenakilly, Shradonagh, Clareene, Tuorlion, Dromin, Sessiraghkeale, Ballikilliam, Toberterriff, Tullamore, Turfion, Curraghtemple, Lisnablagh, being part of Knockanenamohely alias Ballygowry, and Knockanenapishy. D., C., 55; F. 87.
113	James Grace, of Cassestowne, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, and Oliver Grace, his son and heir apparent, def. John Blunden, esq., pl. 28 February, 1705.	Turclo, Ballydavin, Archerstowne alias Coppice-wood. bar. Eliogurty. Cons. £600. D., C., 56; F. 88.
114	Dionisius Dulahunty, gent., and Anstace, his wife, def. Anthony Carroll, esq., pl. 29 March, 1706.	Rathneleene. Bar. Up. Ormond. Cons. £200. D., C., 63.
115	Gameliel Fitzgerald, of Cloghready, gent., and Susanna, his wife, def. John Jones, of the city of Dublin, gent., pl. 13 May, 1706.	Cloghready, Ballyrobbin, and Farranacroghny. Bar. Clanwilliam. Cons. £400. C., 62.

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116	James Latham, of Thurless, gent., and Hellenia, his wife, def. Oliver Latham, of Meldrom, esq., pl. 16 May, 1706.	Premises in city of Cashel and burglary thereof. Cons. []. W., D., C., 65.
117	John Jephson, of the City of Limerick, esq., def. Most Rev. William bishop of Clonfert, Wm. Parsons, bart., and James Harrison, esq., pl. 11 July, 1706.	Knockaneneen, Clossenduffe, Colemane, Rosse, Killyknockane, Ballintow, Gurticarrine, Gertilohgart and Islandmore, part of Pollaghbegg, Cooltubred, Gurteenephillip, Gortibrigane alias Gorturigane. Bar. Owny and Arra. C., 67.
118	John Walter, of Kilerke, gent., and Dionisia, his wife, def. John Marshall, of Clonmell, gent., pl. 15 July 1706.	In High St., Clonmell, lately held by Charles Walter, deceased. Cons. £190. D., C., 64.
119	John Briggs, gent., and Judith, his wife, and George Briggs, gent., def. Thomas Sadler, senr., esq., pl. 12 October, 1706.	Cavanstowne, Brockaghbegg, Mota part of Scriboge; Ballydery, alias Ballingyder, part of Scriboge; Knockanaleagh, part of Scriboge; Ballyscanlane, part of Scriboge; Castletowne, Clanbower, Clone M ^c Gillyduffe, Cowlebane, Raheene, and Gortnamungagh. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £2,930. W., D., C., 58; F. 91.
120	Rt. Hon. Thomas Ld. Baron of Cahir, def. Redmond Everard, esq., pl. 19 October, 1706.	Manor of Castlegrace, Ould Graige only excepted. bar. Ifa and Offa. Cons. £1,250. C., 60.
121	John Dunstervill and Charles Dunstervill, def. Charles Forster, senr., pl. 19 October, 1706.	Poynstowne. Bar. Slevardagh and Cymsonagh. C., 66.
122	John Creighton, of Ballicknavan, esq., and Sarah, his wife, def. Daniel Rogers, gent., pl. 26 February, 1706.	Ballycknavan alias Ballynavin, Clockeaton alias Clock-Keatin, Lackcomon alias Lackcomen, and Crottagh alias Crottoch. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £2,170. D., C., 59., F. 89.
123	Rt. Hon. Thomas, Lord Baron of Cahir, def. Patrick Walsh, gent., pl. 26 February, 1706.	Lisvea, Ballyngeary, Knockanevoy, and Knockaneputtoge, and Ouldgrage. bar. Ifa and Offa. Cons. £1,000. C., 61., F. 90.
124	John Hall, of Ballybreene, gent., and Dorothea, his wife, def. John Creighton, gent., pl. 16 October, 1707.	Lackeene, Lissburreene, and Ballybreene. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £800. D., C., 71., F. 92.
125	Rt. Hon. Thomas Ld. Baron of Caher, def. Robert Mossom, Doctor in Theology, pl. 16 October, 1707.	Dromleman, Coroghclun, and part of Rosse. bar. Ifa and Offa. Cons. £400. W., C., 70; F. 93.

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126	Richard Townsend, esq., and Jane, his wife, def. John Minchin, gent., pl. 19 December, 1707.	Annagh, Kilbarran, Killbaleere, Tallaghana, Knockbalea. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £100. W., D., C., 68.
127	Richard Townsend, gent., and Jane, his wife, def. Humphry Minchin, esq., pl. 19 December, 1707.	Ballynakill, Ballislea, Booley, Glanbeha, Lis- glanbeha, Rathura, Ballitreen, Ballygurteene, Ballihenry, Behaglass, Lismackane, Asmeare, Gortomullin, Rathmoveoge, Cappatanurane, Lackaventane, Ballybegg, Bolebane, Ballipo- line, Lorehane, Shanballinaha, Currogoneen, Gortderriboy, Ballinogher alias Ballymagher, Cullohill, Gortnogowne, Aghovoy, Shannakill, Killea, Lisnedogaban, Inchy, Curraghduffe, Inchiloghath, Lisnarlin, Graigdarrige, Kille- wardy, Annagh, Kilbarrane, Kilbiller, Liscolli- been, Knockballia, Gullahane. bar. Eliogurty and Ikerrin, and Lr. Ormond. Cons. £500. W., D., C., 72.
128	Obediah Dawson and Elizabeth, def. his wife, def. George Rose, gent., and Henry pl. White, gent., pl. 8 April, 1708.	Killoshally, part of Broder, Ballygelogh alias Ballyogelish. bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £500. W., D., C., 73.
129	Oliver Latham, of Meldrum, def. esq., def. Joseph Damer, of the city of pl. Dublin, gent., pl. 10 April, 1708.	One moiety of Meldrum and Killstaford, con- taining 200 acres profitable land, plantation measure, Kilballyherbry and Graige Noughty, and the mountain of Kilballyherbry, alias the mountain of Shrinton, 454A., like land and measure, part of Dwally, 298A., Brickeendown, 285A. bar. Middlethird. Gortnaskehy and West Corbally alias Dromwood, 192A. 1R. 14P., Thorey and Murpaghduffe alias Gurteenirea, 87A., and 300A. unprofitable. bar. Killnemanagh. Cons. £2,200. D., C., 74; F. 98.
130	Robert Cole, esq., def. Stephen Ludlow, of the city of pl. Dublin, esq., pl. 14 April, 1708.	Knockaneglass, Ballymackea, East part of Cappagh, Tome alias Killgurteene and Pallice, Knockane, Ballyconally, Garryclora, Knockaneclaryboard, Clonleagh, Coolederry, Curraheene, Cappagh West, Derrykenidy alias Fulleene, Ballyarny alias Ballyaghny, and Knocksequin. W., C., 75.
131	Barnaby Purcell, of Killmurry, def. Co. Kilkenny, gent., and Ellen def. Purcell, alias Thirwit, his def. wife, def. Tobias Purcell, of Duncannon, pl. Co. Wexford, esq., pl. 14 July 1708.	Rossesstowne (in foot Bossesstowne), Gortinac- tiry and Gortitower, containing 340 acres pro- fitable land, plant. meas., Killeenleagh and Culegarane, cont. 140A. (omitted in foot). bar. Eliogurty and Ikerrin. Cons. £1,500. W., D., C., 76; F. 96.
132	John Carroll, gent., Charles Carroll, gent., and Abigail, his wife, def. William Butler, esq., pl. 15 July, 1708.	Carrukeale. bar. Owny and Arra. Cons. £250. W., C., 77; F. 99.

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133	Stephen Sweet, esq., and Anne, his wife, def. Phanuel Cook, esq., pl. 11 October, 1708.	Balintlea. bar. Slevardah and Cumpsty. Cons. £800. D., C., 78.
134	Thomas Osborne, of Tikincorr, Co. Waterford, knight, Ni- cholas Osborne, sen., of Carrick, esq., Nicholas Osborne, jun., of the same, gent., and John Perry, of Woodroof, esq., def. John Minchin, of Shangarry, gent., pl. 16 October, 1708.	Newcastle, Killnecarrigy, Claspenny, Graige, Newtowne, Garrencassey, part of Curraghclo- neye alias Rosmore, together with Killeagh, Dumvert, Dunenigihie, part and parcel of the Common appertaining to the Same. W., D., C., 80; F. 95 and 97.
135	Howlett Parker, gent., and Christina, his wife, def. John Maghlin, gent., pl. 16 October, 1708.	Ballarushin, Curraghtemple, Balligowre, Coom, Ballymoylin and Pallisbegg, Coonefilioman, Garrnenekilky, and Garryenanus. bar. Owny and Arra, and Kilnemanagh. Cons. £300. W., D., C., 81; F. 100.
136	Henry O'Bryen, of Stonehall, Co. Clare, esq., def. Joseph Deeme, of Crumline, Co. Dublin, esq., pl. 26 October, 1708.	Boghercroagh alias Bohercroe, Synone, Tyome, Gurteene, Gortibrigane, Glancollow, and Shallie. W., C., 82; F. 101.
137	Thomas Jervis and Martha, his wife, Joseph Ruthorne, and John Suffield, def. James Medlicote, esq., pl. 19 January, 1708.	Powlakerey, Kilsheitane alias Kilshilane, and Skehanagh. bar. Iffa and Offa. Cons. £40. D., C., 83.
138	Richard Hutchinson, of Knock- lofty, gent., def. Benjamin Vaughan, of Ballyboe, gent., and Philip Carleton, of Clonmell, gent., pl. 21st January, 1708.	South part of Monksgrange, part of Crutagh, in East part of Knocklofty, Thomastowne, Bally- nity alias Balingty, Raheene near Ballindony, Rathwalter, Ballybegg, Ballymorris, Knockin- richard, west part of Ardfinane alias Castle- keeve alias Edmond Croane alias Henry Curragh, and Farren English, Lackenm ^e Keo- rish, and Carhue. W., D., C., 84.
139	Robert FitzGerald, of Cullina- begg, Queen's County, gent., and Barbara, his wife, and Alexander FitzGerald, of Rath- induffe, same Co., gent., and Alice, his wife, def. Phanuel Cooke, of Clononulcon, esq., pl. 26 January, 1708.	Mullisane, commonly called Ballynestick. Cons. £520. W., D., C., 79.
140	Joseph Tinison, gent., and Sarah Tinison, alias Dennison, his wife, def. John Marshall, gent., pl. 4 March, 1708.	A fishing wear; premises on the South side of the west Street of Clonmel; a garden called Gath's garden, alias Garryclogh, outside the town walls on the north side; and Prior's Parke, and Prior's Culoge, in Prior's Lane, in the Town and liberties of Clonmel; a stone house slated in front 23 ft., with backside 32 ft. behind, in Mary's St., late in possession of Richard Dennison, with a waste plot of ground

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		where the pound stood, and a thatched house and a garden beside it lately demolished, being part of the former holding of Thomas Ellwell and Henry Ansell, situate outside the "Breach Gate" of Clonmell. Cons. £350. D., C., 85.
141	Nicholas Osborne, sen., esq., and Anne, his wife, and Nicholas Osborne, jun., def. Edward Cooke, gent., and Thomas Dean, gent., pl. 5 March, 1708.	St. Johnstowne, Milltowne-St. Johns, Mortles-towne, Killbrody alias Killbarry, Killkenney-begg alias Killkenney, St. John's, Lissmoynane, Cologh, Ballylosky and Clonnegany, Slanestowne, Higginstowne, part of Pepperstowne. bar. Middlethird. Newcastle, Killnacarrig, Clashgany, Grage, Newtowne, Garrincashy, Rosmore, Killeagh, Dunveart. par. Newcastle. bar. Ifa and Offa. Ballinruddery. bar. L. Ormond. W., D., C., 86. F. 114.
142	Daniel Gahan, of Coolequill, knt., def. George Burditt, of Lismalin, gent., and Robert Long, of Graistown, gent., pl. 8 March, 1708.	Coolequill, Killnehoan, Ballynonty. bar. Slevardagh. W., D., C., 87.
143	Lawrence Esmond, bart., and Lady Lucy, his wife, def. Cesar Colclough, esq., pl. 28 March, 1709.	Rectories of the Churches of Ardeant alias Ard-mayle, Coolemundry, Ballyshehane, Clownegedagh alias Glanhackett, Archclare alias Coole-vondon, Ballypierce, Clownbarken, Grangemockler, Templeloinge alias Templeheney, Killeenegaish alias Kilmolaish, Sanknight alias Shanrahin, and all tithes, &c., pertaining to them; also all tithes and altarages of Killmore, Killerie, and Clownbo, alias Clownes, and Torsy, part of the vicarages and Rectories aforesaid. Excepting that part of the Rectory of the Church of Sanknight, alias Shanrahin, commonly called Brights and Clerkes Lotts. Cons. £977. D., C., 88.
144	John Walshe, of Ballinvohir, gent., and Catherine, his wife, and David, his son and heir, and James Hackett, of Lisse-vea, gent., def. John Power, of Clonmell, gent., pl. 30 March, 1709.	Rathkivane. Cons. £382 10s. W., D., C., 89.
145	John Lloyd, gent., def. William Lloyd, gent., pl. 28 April, 1709.	Curteene, Longford, Tinekelly. Bar. Eliogurty and Ikerrin. Cons. £1,000. W., C., 90.
146	Pierce Sause, gent., Margaret Sause, widow, Richard Daniel, and Joan, his wife, Walter Welsh, and Catherine, his wife, def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 29 April, 1709.	Oldsausetowne alias Killoragh, part of Sause-towne. par. of Rathcoole and Tinnakelly. Cons. £750. W., D., C., 91.

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147	Anthony Sterling, esq., and Anne, his wife, def. Andrew English, of Clonmell, merchant, pl. 16 May, 1709.	A Tenement in Carrick, formerly the residence of Peter Raho, late of Carrick, merchant, now in possession of Thomas Deane, esq.; two tene- ments in Straedelagh, now in the possession of William Charles, of Carrick; Five Cabins and two acres of land adjoining, formerly in possession of Peter Ragho, and now in possession of John Newport, of Carrick, merchant; Three acres in Acre Flough; a dwelling house or tenement in Newstreete in Carrick, formerly the possession of Robert Eely, gent., and a garden adjoining it now in possession of Thos. Bryen, gent.; two tenements formerly held by Maurice English, and now by Gerard Comerford and James Mullin; and one other Tenement, late in the possession of Adam Moore, and now of Barthole- mew Dalton: all situate in the Town and suburbs of Carrick. Cons. £100. D., C., 92.
148	Charles Carroll, gent., and Abigail, his wife, def. Robert Palmer, of the city of Limerick, merchant, pl. 26 May, 1709.	Lissduffe, in the parish of Eglisb. Bar. Lr. Ormond. Cons. £150. W., D., C., 93.
149	John Eversfield, gent., and Susanna, his wife, def. Christopher Antessell, gent., pl. 15 July, 1709.	Graige, alias Sleraduffe. Bar. Lower Ormond. Cons. £290. W., D., C., 94.
150	Francis Smyth, gent., def. Mathew Jacob, gent., pl. 30 July, 1709.	Priestowne, part of Clonchea, part of Ballinenane, and part of Knockuragh. Cons. £1,422. W., D., C., 95.
151	John Cleare, of Newtowne, def. George Cooke, of Fethard, gent., pl. 1 August, 1709.	Killburry, Byfettstowne alias Byverstowne, Cap- paghgarran, Ballydowgan, and west Poulecoppie. W., C., 96: F. 102 and 103.
152	Anthony Savage, late of Glynn, and now of Kilgany, Co. Water- ford, and Margaret, his wife, def. Andrew Roe, of Tipperary, gent., pl. 1 August, 1709.	Rathduffe, in Rathsallagh, also half Temple- quarter alias Knockanetemple, contg. 50A. plant. meas. Cons. £146. W., D., C., F. (file of Concords) 121.
153	Thomas Briggs, of the City of London, merchant, def. Samuel Carde, of the City of Dublin, merchant, pl. 12 August, 1709.	Bohemore, Gortevally, Gurrane. par. Modrenny. Bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £600. D., C., 97.
154	Anthony Savage, of Kilgany, Co. Waterford, gent., and Margaret Savage, alias Butler, his wife, def. Edward Stratford, of Belan, Co. Kildare, esq., pl. 30 August, 1709.	Garrandraky, Brackagh, Milltowne alias Mill- townemore. Bar. Middlethird. Cons. £942 3s. 4d. W., D., C., 98.

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155	John Parker, of Dunkipp, Co. Limerick, esq., and Alice, his wife, and John Newell, gentleman, def. Hugh Massey, esq., Elizabeth Irby, widow, William Freeman, esq., John Brady, esq., and Nicholas Parker, gent., pl. 12 September, 1709.	Manor of Castletownneara; lands of Castletownneara, Pallis, Pallisbegg, Ballyglasse, Shiare, and Garrane M ^c Teige. C. 99.
156	George Thorold, knight and baronet, def. John Marshall, gent., pl. 18 October, 1709.	Newchaple, Garryroe alias Killitegane Chancel-lorstowne, Toberhany, Ballyveghane, Ballytaraney, Ballyvellish, and Gurteene. bar. Iffa and Offa, and Ikerrin. Cons. £2,450. W., D., C., 100; F. 94 and 104.
157	Henry Prittie, of Killboy, esq., def. James Harrison, of CloghJordan, esq., and Humphry Minchin, of Ballynkil, esq., pl. 22nd October, 1709.	Grenagh, Ballygowne, Clonenagh, Garryardwest, Garryardeast, Gorteendoghy, Garrymorewest, Garrymore alias Alturke, Gortsharrow, Cooleene, Coolenemage, Killboy, Curraghnorun, Ballyally, Woore, Croghurneene, Curragh in Spaddy, Moore, Clonine, Beha-Lissnegowley, Lissnegowly, Comore, Comoynne, Ardclone, Transtowne alias Traverstowne, Ballydiggan, Clonmore, Dollow, Killm ^c nestully, Upper Ballyhinshy, Garranes, Clashderry, Lower Ballynahinshy, and Ballycabane. W., C., 101.
158	Charles Ryan, gent., Ellen Ryan, alias Butler, his wife, and Pierce Butler, gent., def. Tobias Purcell, esq., pl. 1 March, 1709.	Lisnetubrid, Cooleoneen, Templetuey and the mountain adjoining the same. Bar. Iffa and Offa. Cons. £440. W., D., C., 102; F. 105.
159	Frederick Porter, of the City of Dublin, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Hon. James Macartney, esq., one of the Queen's Justices, and Marmaduke Coghill, esq., doctor of laws, pl. 1 March, 1709.	Cappoge, Killmanenan, Mononvolvy, Monadubbard alias Monodobrid, Kilvammuck, Ballycassine, and Ballylongane. bar. Sleverdagh and Compsy. W., C., 103; F. 107 and 113 (duplicate, dated 13 April, 1710).
160	John Cleare, gent., def. George Cooke, gent., pl. 2 March, 1709.	Fidane alias Ballyvoyn, Clorane, Milestowne, Cloneene, Ballyhomocke. C. 104.
161	Thomas Hackett, gent., def. Robert Hackett, gent., pl. 4 March, 1709.	Gambonstown, Knockburdon, Kiltully, and in the Town and liberties of Fethard. W., C., 105.
162	John Congreve, of Kilmacow, Co. Kilkenny, clerk, and Rebecca Congreve, alias Jones, his wife, def. John Jones, of Monynebroe, Co. Kilkenny, gent., pl. 13 March, 1709.	Part of Drombane. Bar. Killnemanagh. D., C., 115.
163	Barnaby Purcell, gent., and Ellen, his wife, def. Theobald Purcell, esq., pl. 13 April, 1710.	An annual Rent of £40 issuing from Rossess-towne, Gurtinderry, and Gortituor. bar. Eliogurty and Ikerrin. Cons. £500. D., C., 106; F. 109.

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164	Roger ffogerty, of Fithmone, gent., def. Thadeus ffogerty, of Garrane, gent., pl. 13 April, 1710.	Fithmone. bar. Eliogurty and Ikerrin. Cons. £500. D., C., 107; F. 115.
165	William Bacon, gent., and Christian, his wife, and George Bacon, his son and heir, def. Phanael Cooke, esq., pl. 17 April, 1710.	Fryers Grange, alias Balliclevane. Cons. £200. W., C., 109; F. (incomplete) 111.
166	Anthony Chearnly, of Killgrogy, esq., and Anne, his wife, and Samuel Chearnly, his son and heir, def. Samuel Jervis, of Droome, Co. Cork, gent., pl. 16 July, 1710. (Concord dated 9 May, 1707.)	Coolnetallagh, in the west part of Carriganroe, and part of Coolnetallagh, commonly called Sir Charles Pine's lott, and Ballishighane alias Cullenogh. Cons. £1,000. W., D., C., 69; F. 106.
167	George Trayer, of Cattagons- towne, gent., def. Hugh Lawton and Mathew Jacob, esq., pl. 27 July, 1710.	Cattagonsstowne. bar. Slevardagh and Cumpsy. C., 114.
168	Lovelace Taylor, gent., Anne, his wife, Patrick Hackett, clerk, Robert Hackett, gent., Giles Taylor, draper, and Nathaniel Taylor, Chandler, def. Phanael Cooke, esq., pl. 10 August, 1710.	Noane, Ballygreheny, Roanemooly. bar. Slevardagh and Compsy. Cons. £900. W., D., C., 108.
169	Humphry Ray, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Jane Greene, widow, pl. 19 Sept., 1710.	Ballycullen. Cons. £400. W., D., C., 113.
170	William Bacon, gent., Christian, his wife, and George Bacon, gent., def. Edward Bacon, gent., pl. 19 December, 1710.	Garranaquile. Cons. £230. D., C., 112.
171	Anthony Chearnley, of Kill- grogy, esq., and Anne Chearn- ley, alias Jervois, his wife, and Samuel Chearnley, his son and heir, def. Jonas Percy, of Ballintemple, King's Co., gent., and Philip Carleton, of Clonmell, gent., pl. 28 February, 1710.	east part of Burnt Clogheene, commonly called Miles Birkitts lott, and Killgrogy and Gurti- cullen, commonly called John Freeman's lott. W., D., C., 118; F. 108.
172	Peter Goodwin, gent., and Frances, his wife, def. Michael Cole, esq., pl. 28 February, 1710.	Carrigtoghir alias Carrighghir alias Carrig- toghir, Curraghnonnan part of Carrigtoghir, Knockanepissy alias Knockanepissa part of Carrigtoghir, Garrane alias Garraine, Sheser- aghrabine, and Tiresullagh alias Dromine, and Bunggurt alias Bunagurt. bar. Owny and Arra. Cons. £1,000. C., 116; F. 112.

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173	Edward Roch, jun., of Ballynard, gent., def. Thomas Weekes, gent., pl. 2 March, 1710.	Ballyvadin and Ballyvadlea. Bar. Middlethird. Cons. £227. C., 110.
174	Samuel Webber and Mary, his wife, def. Yardly Lewis, gent., pl. 4 March, 1710.	Two houses in Loghstreete, in the Town of Clonmell, lately held by John Webber and said Samuel Webber. Cons. £217. W., D., C., 119.
175	Michael Weston, gent., and Alice, his wife, def. William Thomson, gent., and Mary, his wife, pl. 12 March, 1710.	A third part of Farrineddin. Cons. £10. W., D., C., 117.
176	Henry O'Brien, of Stonehall, Co. Clare, esq., def. John ffoord, of the city of Lime- rick, esq., pl. 2 April, 1711.	Boherorow, Fannagowne alias Farrangowne, and Knockanrawly. Bar. Clanwilliam. Cons. £850. W., D., C., 123.
177	Yardley Lewis, of Lishine, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Clement Sadler, gent., pl. 12 April, 1711.	Knockanabradly. Cons. £200. W., C., 124.
178	Oliver Grace, and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Peter Hicks, clerk, pl. 17 April, 1711.	Moyneard and part of Moynetemple. Cons. £1,400. D., C., 125.
179	Anthony Savage, gent., and Margaret, his wife, def. John Pyke, esq., pl. 28 May, 1711.	Half of Templequarter alias Knockanetemple, commonly called Capt. Harbred Norman's part. Bar. Middlethird. Cons. £15. W., D., C., 122.
180	John Meara, gent., and Margaret, his wife, def. John Scott, gent., pl. 29 June, 1711.	Ballyknockane and Killeene. Bar. Up. Ormond. Cons. £100. D., C., 126.
181	Jonathan Short, of Gurteen, gent., def. John Barry, gent., pl. 11 July, 1711.	Gurtegarry and Gureneheen (? for Gurteen), and Drumeene. Bar. Up. Ormond. Cons. £300. F. 118.
182	William Thomson, gent., and Mary, his wife, and Michael Weston, and Alice, his wife, def. Richard Hutchinson, gent., pl. 14 July, 1711.	One third part of Farreneddin, and also 18A. in the said Farrineddin. Bar. Ifa and Offa. Cons. £170. W., D., C., 127.
183	William Rice, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Robert Hackett, gent., pl. 21 October, 1711.	Castletowne. Bar. Eliogarty and Ikerrin. Cons. £100. W., D., C., 128.

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184	John Hill, of the city of Dublin, esq., and Anne, his wife, Robert Finn, of Coolefinn, Queen's co., gent., and Anne, his wife, def. John Newell, of Curragh-killbrenagh, co. Limerick, esq., pl. 13 December, 1711.	Croan, Gurteene, Kilfreghane, Ballyvery alias Ballywery, and Carraghnemony. bar. Ifa and Offa. Cons. £1,753 (to the Hills), and 5s. (to the Finns). W., D., C., 129. F. 117.
185	John Pryor, of Crossoge, and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Thomas Martin, gent., pl. 20 December, 1711.	Crossoge and Lissneselleys. C., 130.
186	Edward Cooke, esq., def. William Headen, gent., pl. 20 December, 1711.	Oldcastle and Clasnassinnee, Tyrree, and east and south part of Curraheene. C., 131.
187	Edward Roch, sen., gent., and Elizabeth, his wife, Edward Roch, jun., gent., and Mary, his wife, Michael Kearney, and Henry Meagh, gent., def. Thomas Weekes, gent., pl. 18 January, 1711.	Ballyvadin, Ballyvadlea. Bar. Middlethird. Cons. £350. W., D., C., 132.
188	Charles Carroll, gent., and Abigail, his wife, def. William Connor, gent., pl. 21 January, 1711.	Culoge, Dromeene, Gortgarry, and Curraghne modagh. Bar. Up. Ormond. Cons. £660. D., C., 133.
189	John Hall, of Culliagh, gent., def. Thomas Hemsworth, of Birr, King's co., clerk, pl. 27 February, 1711.	Ballybrine, Liscurine, Lackeene. bar. Up. Ormond. Cons. £1,200. (Stated to be paid to Hemsworth). W., D., C., 111. F. 116.
190	Thomas Drysdale, esq., and Esther, his wife, and Samuel Robbins, gent., def. William Connor, gent., pl. 22 March, 1711.	Oldcastle, Ballyvogheen, Gurteen. D., C., 134.
191	Henry Pyne, esq., def. Gawen Lane, gent., pl. 23 April, 1712.	Great and little Burgess, Ballygarrane west, Ballygarrane east, part of Whitechurch, Ballyroe, Scartany, Ballybacon, north part of Tullow and lands of Tullow next adjoining the lands of Ballybeacon, Scartany, Kildermody, Ballyhohane, Ballyea, Ballygarane east, Ballynemasnybegg, Tuberid, Ballyhostybegg, Ballyvoraie, New Ruscoe, South Ruscoe, Cronovane alias Clonovane, and part of Ballydrenane. Bar. Ifa and Offa. C., 135.
192	Michael Ryan and Ellinor Ryan, alias Coleman, his wife, def. Thomas Tilson, esq., pl. 29 April, 1712.	Ballyhimikeene, Sherseraghbeal, and Grallagh. Bar. Lr. Ormond. Cons. £14. C., 136. F. 125.

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193	Joseph Tinison, gent., and Sarah, his wife, Thomas Batty, esq., and John Marshall, gent., def. Richard Perry, gent., pl. 19 June, 1712.	A slated house and area, now the holding of Peter Comerford; a waste plot in which stood the Town Pound; and a slated house with a garden adjoining, now held by William Connor; a stone house slated, in the street of the Blessed Virgin Mary, now held by Richard Butler, Gent.; a stone house slated, another house called the Cross House slated, towards the River, with a small garden opposite it, and a path to the River, and a fishing weir adjoining it, on the South side of the west gate street; and a garden called Gaths Garden, alias Garryclogh, and Priors Parke, and Priors culoge in Priors Lane; within the town and liberties of Clonmell. Cons. £350 (to the Tinisons). " 10s. (to Batty and Marshall). D., C., 137.
194	Thomas Batty, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, James Roch, and Elizabeth, his wife, Benjamin Greene, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. Samuel Gordon, saddler, pl. 24 June, 1712.	A slated house in front to Highstreet, with ground backwards, extending to Shambleslane, in the Town of Clonmell. Cons. £140 (to the Greenes). 10s. (to the Battys and Rochs). W., D., C., 138.
195	Lorenzo Hodson, gent., and Elizabeth Hodson, alias Vaughane, his wife, def. Thomas Weekes, gent., pl. 4 July, 1712.	Ballyvaughane, alias Ballyboughane. Bar. Ifa and Offa. Cons. £420. D., C., 139.
196	James Harrison, esq., and Ellinor, his wife, Stephen Moore, esq., Joseph Tinson, and Sarah, his wife, def. Edward Southwell, esq., and William Percivale, clerk, pl. 16 August, 1712.	Same as No. 202. W., D., C., 140.
197	Robert Blunden, of Kilbury, gent., and Esther, his wife, John Cleare, of Newbarne, gent., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. George Rose, of the city of Limerick, gent., pl. 20 August, 1712.	Ballyvone. Bar. Owny and Arra. Cons. £340. W., D., C., 141.
198	Stephen Moore, of Barne, esq., def. John Pyke, of Woodingstowne, esq., and Thomas Batty, of Clonmell, esq., pl. 30 Sept., 1712.	East part of Glanbane, Chancellorstown, Ballyorto alias Ballyorta, Farranlohassery alias Farrenlahessery, Laffaly, part of Ballyclarahan, Curenstowne alias Currinstowne, part of Curenstowne alias Currinstowne, Mylerstownbeg, part of the same, Shanballyard, East part of Clasnatten alias Clasnattin, East part of Graybutler, alias Graybutler, Glanbane and Garrandrihue alias Garrendrehid, Ballyhinekin alias Ballyhimikin, and Chancellorstowne alias Chancellorstowne. Bar. Ifa and Offa. Archerstowne, Coleman alias Colemayne, part of Maginstown and Ballynattin, Ownskeagh.

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		alias Scottscastle alias Ownskeigh, Garrowsky alias Arnaharky alias Arnakarky, and Rath-sallagh. Bar. Middlethird. Gortfree, and Poulekeile alias Boulykeale. Bar. Slevardagh and Compsy. W., D., C., 142.
199	Robert Hamerton, esq., and Sarah, his wife, Richard Hamerton, gent., Thomas Bolton, clerk, Richard Bolton, gent., and Charles Hamerton, gent., def. John Marshall, gent., pl. 18 October, 1712.	In the town and lands of Clonmell, commonly called the burgage land of Clonmell. Bar. Iffa and Offa. Cons. £1,200 (to Robert and Sarah Hamerton). W., D., C., 143.
200	John Marshall, of Clonmell, gent., and Catherine, his wife, def. Guy Moore, gent., pl. 18 October, 1712.	A house used by his Grace the Duke of Ormond, with garden, stable, coach-house, area, and land behind the stable; 2A. in Parke Buolick, bounded by Lawlestowne; Coolestcott, 1A. 2R. and 32P.; Croaked acre, 6A-15P.; in Richards Parke, 1A-30P.; in Seriants gardin, 1R. 10P.; in Striches Issland, 1A. 2R. 33P., plant. measure: in the town and suburbs of Clonmell. Cons. £450. W., D., C., 144.
201	Thomas Batty and Elizabeth, his wife, and George Slaughter Batty, def. Phillip Carleton and Thomas Weekes, gent., pl. 21 October, 1712.	Mokerky and Shanbally. Bar. Eliogerty. C., 145; F. 119.
202	Charles Alcocke, esq., Emanuel Moore, Baronet, and Dame Catherine, his wife, def. Edward Southwell, esq., and William Percivale, clerk, pl. 21 October, 1712.	Borhinduff, west part of Croan, north part of Moorestowne alias Ballynemony, Ballyrobbin, Glanleamy, Monemihill, east part of Clonmell, and Powerstowne. bar. Iffa and Offa. W., C., 146; F. 120.
203	Nicholas Purcell, esq., and Ellis, his wife, def. Joseph Damer, esq., pl. 21 October, 1712.	Curraghmore, Cormuckstowne alias Ballycormuck, Forteany, and Graigeprahane alias Graigeprahane. Bar. Eliogurty and Ikerrin. Cons. £1,300. D., C., 147; F. 121 and 122.
204	Laurence Brennock and Catherine, his wife, def. John White, gent., pl. 21 October, 1712.	One slated house with a kitchen behind, and a kitchen in widdow Carvill's house, with an out-house (<i>latrina</i>) behind Richard Piggott's House in High Streete in the Town of Clonmell. Cons. £150. C., 148; F. 123.
205	Mathew Jacob, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, and Lewis Manzy, doctor of Medicine, and Anne, his wife, def. Nathaniel Lucas, esq., pl. 27 October, 1712.	In the Town of Clonmell. Cons. £300. W., D., C., 149.

FINES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
206	Kingsmill Pennefather, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Richard Leake, Clerk, and Richard Buckworth, esq., pl. 27 October, 1712.	Clonyhorp, Carrnegare, Garranmore, Knocktoyle, Lisheene, Derrymore, Derrybegg, Polevarley, Moyalliffe, Graige, Culebane, Clonigunanagh, alias Culenegranagh, Killshane and Ballyduffa, Clonyrosse and Rathkinan, Ballyowen and Fossoghmore, Erry, Ballykelly, Clonegoose, Ballylonegane, and Westpouleacappull. W., C., 150.
207	John Cleare, gent., and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Robert Blunden, gent., pl. 5 November, 1712.	Part of Polecaple, commonly called the wood of Polecaple, and Pollagh, belonging to Ballydwi-gan adjoining the same wood. Cons. £525. D., C., 151.
208	Barnard Granger, gent., and Margaret, his wife, def. Thomas Chadwick, alderman, pl. 4 March, 1712.	That part of the lot of Edmond Butler, deceased, being on the right of Moorelane, with a front to High Streete. From Conway's Holdings to Moore Lane, containing 48 feet, and from the corner of Moorelane to the angle 230 ft., and from thence to Moorgate 46 ft., and lately bounded from the right of Moorlane by the wall erected by Thomas Prince, gent., and from the left of Moorlane by the tenement of John Shyrlock, now in possession of said Thomas Chadwick. situate in the city of Cashell. Cons. £50. W., C., 151; F. 124, 126, and 127.
209	Thomas Sweetman, of New-towne, Co. Kilkenny, gent., and Mary, his wife, def. George Sloughter Batty, of Clonmell, gent., pl. 30 May, 1713.	Mokarky, Falcherstowne, and Shanbally. Bar. Eliogurty and Ikyrrin. Cons. £35. D., C., 153.
210	John Dunsterville, gent., and Catherine, his wife, and Charles Dunsterville, his son and heir, def. Phaniel Cooke, esq., pl. 15 July, 1713.	Poynstowne, alias Pointstowne. bar. Slevardagh. Cons. £2,000. W., D., C., 154; F. 110.
211	George Hickman, esq., and Jane, his wife, def. Reverend Thomas L ^d Bishop of Lymerick, pl. 24 Sept ^r , 1713.	Clanbally, part of Derryleagh, Tullagh, and Kill-nacappa. bar. Owny and Arra. Cons. £600. D., C., 155; F. 134.
212	Andrew Roe, gent., and Mary, his wife, William Roe, doctor of Medicine, and James Roe, gent., def. Joseph White, gent., pl. 3 October, 1713.	Ballynemoght alias Ballynemought, Baunrenny alias Banerenny, Rathmacarthy, Rathduffe, and Templequarter. D., C., 156.
213	Edward Roch, and Mary, his wife, def. Thomas Weekes, gent., pl. 6 October, 1713.	Ballyvadlea. Bar. Middlethird. Cons. £800. W., D., C., 157; F. 128.
214	Edmond Walsh, esq., def. Edward Finch, gent., pl. 13 October, 1713.	Tuorfonne, Clareene, and Dromin, with a rent of 20s. thereout. Cons. £25. W., D., C., 158; F. 133.

FINES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
215	Thomas Mathew, of Anfield, esq., and Honor, his wife, def. Thomas Hughes, of the city of Cashell, gent., pl. 21 Jan'y., 1713.	Meldrum and Killstafford. Cons. £900. D., C., 159.
216	Edward Poe, gent., and Mercy, his wife, def. William Waller, esq., pl. 25 February, 1713.	Belline and Culecalgy. Cons. £300. D., C., 160.
217	James Topham, esq., def. Rev. Thomas Westby, of Clonmell, clerk, pl. 27 February, 1713.	Dromin, Portlahane alias Portlaghane, Bredagh alias Bredah, Gurtney-Pledulagh alias Gortnephedulah, Ballyrork alias Ballycorkbegg alias Ballyquirke, Ballycahassy alias Ballycasie, alias Ballycahasip. Bar. Lr. Ormond. W., C., 161.
218	Godfrey Greene, esq., def. Phaniel Cooke, esq., and Joseph Nicholson, gent., pl. 4 March, 1713.	Moorstown, Cnockanangle, and Rathmore, alias Crockenoght. bar. Iffa and Offa. W., C., 162; F. 129.
219	Thomas Butler, gent., def. William Hayden, gent., pl. 4 March, 1713.	Urard alias Ewrard, Clonoutha, Modeshell, Curraghsboyke, Grage, Ballyvonnyne, Keyleglanne, Attevicphillip, Ballingarris, Williamstowne, Killcowly, Garransillagh, Borisleagh, Nurd alias Tuard alias Tyred Farrenboard, Ballyspellane, Breacloyne, and Clonecleagh. W., D., C., 163; F. 130.
220	William Maynard, of Curri- glasse, co. Corke, esq., def. Robert Taylor, of Ballynort, co. Lim., esq., Berkly Taylor, of Kinsale, co. Corke, gent., John Percivall, of the city of Dublin, bart., and John Stanton, of the same, esq., pl. 4 March, 1713.	Barrettsgrange, Derryluscand, alias Derrylapow, Ballynaltin, Maginstoune, Milltownebegg, Mooretownekirke, Garrandracky, Raheene, Lackandraky, Drakes acre, Shealunny, Moclers-towne, Coleman, and Rathdrum. W., C., 164; F. 132.
221	John Maddisson, of the city of Dublin, gent., and Margaret Maddisson, alias Buckridge, his wife, John Todd, of the same city, gent., and Jane Todd, alias Buckridge, his wife, def. Joseph Damer, of the city of Dublin, esq., pl. [], 1713.	Ballykenase alias Ballykenas, Feddane alias Feddan alias Feddanbeg. Bar. Lr. Ormond. Cons. £234. W., C., 165; F. 131.
222	William Nicholson, goldsmith, and Sarah, his wife, def. Joseph francklyn, of the city of Cork, alderman, pl. 30 March, 1714.	Carrickmore, Scartagh, Barry-Dillon, and Carrigmore. bar. Iffa and Offa. W., D., C., 166; F. 135.
223	Joseph firth, and Elizabeth, his wife, and George Baker, def. Stephen Kyte, pl. 23 April, 1714.	Ballymurrene. Bar. Eliogarty and Ikerrin. Cons. £50. C. 167.

FINES, &c.—*continued*.

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises, Consideration, and Reference.
224	John Lee, of the city of Lime- rick, blacksmith, and Mar- garet, his wife, def. William Clarke, gent., pl. 8 July, 1714.	Gurtnekegghy, alias Gurtnaskea. Cons. £200. W., C., 169.
225	George Mathew, sen., of Thurles, esq., and George Mathew, jun., of the same, esq., def. John Trevanion, esq., Henry Campion, esq., Charles Evers- field, esq., and John Middleton, esq., pl. 24 July, 1714.	Manor of Thurles, and the monastery and lands of St. Francis at Thurles. Lands of Thurles, Liseogher, Killenare, Laharden, Garrauroe, Ath- loman, Dorragh, Cloyvannagh, Dardagh. C. 168.
226	Godfrey Boate, esq., and Cary, his wife, def. John Power, gent., pl. 1 September, 1714.	Borresnefory, alias Borresneforney, alias Balles- nefory, alias Burreneforney. Bar. Ikerrin. Cons. £900. W., C., 170.
227	Godfrey Boate, esq., and Cary, his wife, def. James Dawson, esq., pl. 1 September, 1714.	Larragh, alias Lorchoe. Bar. L. Ormond. Cons. £200. W., C., 171.
228	John Newport, and Elizabeth, his wife, def. Bullen Biggs, gent., pl. 6 October, 1714.	In town and suburbs of Carrick. W. C. 172; F. 136.
229	John White, esq., def. John Power, gent., pl. [] October, 1714.	Cloncorry, Coolderry, Foherlogh, Glahassin, Clonfinane, Clonteraskin, Derrinlorgery, Gorta- dorishbane, Coolaghy, Ballynoe, Rodeene, Quil- lagh, Guillaghclery, Fiagh, Ballycormuck, Curragh, Yoghill, Garrymore, Kilparteene, Crannagh, Corquill, Ballyspillane, Creagh alias Polewy, Cloneskin, Killeene, Ballyquinlevane, Gragillane, Old Court, Gurteene, Ballyvaghan, Garranemore, Carrue, Loghanliegh, Ballycarran- doge, Garranesingane, Curragh, Corbally, Kish- duane, Ballyshane, Finniah, Killtomodane, Shessraghscaulane, part of Ballyhagh, Annagh, Lishernane, and Ballincorr, and Galbertstowne. W., C., 173; F. 137.
230	Theobald Mathew, esq., def. John Trevanion, esq., pl. 26 January, 1714.	Anfield, Burrenleagh, Coolerue, Blackcastle, Bally- david, Derryhiggane, Lisurune, Finihy, Gort- nehally, Bollyduffe, Cooledderrybrin, Garryglasse, Gortnelaragh, Grenan, Liscregh, Lisnegunnoe, Atshanbohy, Knockroe. D., C., 174.
231	William Worth, of the city of Dublin, esq., and Edward Worth, of the same city, esq., def. Thomas Drysdall, of Ballyhasty, esq., pl. 6 April, 1715.	Ballyhasty, Coolemingoe, and Coolenigrohir alias Coolenegreioire. Par. Modereny. Bar. L. Ormond. W., C., 175; F. 138.
232	Oliver Latham, esq., and John Latham, gent., def. Phaniel Cooke, esq., and Samuel Jacob, gent., pl. 27 July, 1715.	Meldrum, Killstafford, Dowally, Killballyherebry, and Gragynorty, and the Mountain of Killbally- herebry, alias the Mountain of Shimpstowne, Inslevary, and Curraghduffe, west Corbally, and Gortneskeahy, being part of Ballynahamore. bar. Middlethird and Killnemanagh. W., D., C., 176; F. 139.

RECOVERIES suffered in the PALATINATE of TIPPERARY.

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
1	Robert Walsh, Knt. and Bart., Pierce Walsh, esq., his son and heir, Peter Sherlock, and George Sherlock, esq. Charles Prince, clerk, dem. Rev. Hugh, Bishop of Waterford and Lismore, ten. 21 April, 1666.	The Rectory of Cahir, alias Caher Doneske and the advowson of the vicarage.
2	Edmund Everard, Bart. Pierce Everard and John Potter, dem. George Mathew, esq., Walter Butler, esq., John Walsh, esq., and Richard Everard, esq., ten. 22 April, 1669.	Same as Fine No. 1.
3	Joanna Keiffe, alias Everard, widow. Owen Swiny, gent., dem. Dermot Cromine, gent., ten. 11 January, 1669.	Monglasse.
4	Joanna Keiffe, alias Everard, widow. Owen Swiny, gent., dem. Ulick Keiffe, ten. 1 March, 1670.	Rathm ^e Karty, Bourdonskill, Sladaghbeg, Farrin- tuddy, and Banakele, and in Feathard.
5	John St. Leger, of Donerayle, Co. Cork, esq. Thomas Willes, gent., dem. Henry Gray, esq., ten. 6 March, 1671.	Swynon alias Sinon, Glansleaghnade, Rahencule, Lohanleagh, Gortanfree, Glantoghfoyle, Gort- brand, Burntquarter, Lepeake, Glanulogh, Gurt- nescarty, Barrisland alias Farnabarry.
6	Same parties as preceding. 13 April, 1672.	Same as preceding.
7	Pierce Butler, esq. Robert Low and James Kearney, esq., dem. Galfrid Ipsley, ten. 8 October, 1674.	Urard alias Eurard, Cloneourha, Ballyvonyne, Killeglanne, Attevicphillipp, Curraghsløyke, Williamstowne, Garransillagh, Nard alias Tuard alias Thyred, Borrisleagh, Fareneboard Bellyspellane, Breanecløyne, Clonecleagh.
8	Same parties as preceding. 25 March, 1675.	Same as preceding.
9	Pierce, Ld. Baron of Caher. Thadeus Meagher, gent., dem. James Hackett, gent., ten. 8 April, 1675.	Caher, Grangebegg, Suttonerath, Ballynegan, Barnorhy, Ballyngeary, Knockagh, Killin- Butler, Farrinegarke, Garranvelly, Killcomane- more, Killcomanebegg, Scartekillcomane, Clon- more, Garryclogher, Lisvea, Carrigeene, Cloghcully, Knockandensy, Farran-Eddin, Newtowne Adam, Killcorane, Clogh-Islany, Ballylanony, Rehill, Knockancambo, Curragh- tuor, Killroe, Dromlomane, Garrymore, Ballym- Redmond alias Redmondstowne, Castlegrace alias Gracesscastle, Bealanahamore, Kilefarnagh, Gortbohirduffe, Monerahy, Greigge alias Greigegortecullin, Ballyhully, Dughill, Carrack- anroe, Clogheene, Fissagy, Cloghenedologye, and Garryduffe.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
10	George Mathew, esq. Valentine Smyth, jun., of Dammogh, Co. Kil- kenny, gent., dem. Theobald Mathew, of Thurles, esq., ten. 10 September, 1675.	Lynan Imonea, Gortgarrane, Ballen, Ballyneale, Gortneadorane, Ballym ^e Edmond, Ballytrim, Ballydonogh, Pallis, Ballylackan alias Bally- lorcan, Monyneakilly alias Ballyhenry, Allen- hogan, Allenbourke, Monyneakilly, Ballybegg, Shanballymore, Emyleagh, Listerarie, Thomas- towne, Dangandergene, Camas, Drumcliffe, Coolenegan, Liskeene, Drishane, Caherbristie, Ballym ^e Edy, Lism ^e Hugh, Scartm ^e veele, Bal- linlenibegg, Gattaghstowne, Lissinrea, Garrani- eraly, Listowrea alias Lisboure, Gortinfinally, Lackinabradie, Knockballymallowe, Gortenassie, Rathduffe, Rathcloghine, Scurlockstowne, Bally- nacourtie, Gortbanoge, Ballyglissine, Ballykna- veene, Cabragh, Cloghmartin, Ballycorrane, Archerstowne, Rathmannagh, Fulcherstowne, Shanbally, Farynagahill alias Farrenogahilly, Fithmoone, Eurcallaghmore, Graigpadine, Liss- duffe, Coolebeagh, Knockeakelly, Cooleene, Coolehill, Monecarnane, Curraghkeele, Foun- taine, Ballyduffe, Anne alias Graige, Inshima- hane, Gurteene, Cloyne, Beha, Addowne, Grelagh, Clonmore.
11	Hugh Ratclyffe, esq., sen., Hugh Ratclyffe, jun., and Susanna, his wife, Chewning Ratclyffe, Nicholas Lane, and Henry Coepe. Thomas Speed, gent., dem. Edward Nelthorpe and William Howson, mer- chant, ten. 29 February, 1675.	Same as Fine 8.
12	(No Vouchee.) Richard Moore, esq., dem. Richard Butler, gent., ten. 26 April, 1677.	Rathduffe, in Rathsallagh.
13	Nicholas Purcell. Daniel Ryan, gent., dem. Theobald Mathew, esq., ten. 1 March, 1677.	Same as Fine 13.
14	Peirs Butler, esq. John Carne, gent., dem. Connel Carne, alias Carran, gent., ten. 28 March, 1678.	Killvealeghermore.
15	Connel Carran, gent. John Hiffernane, dem. Piers Butler, esq., ten. 28 March, 1678.	Moernane, Knockbritt, Karneriogh, Ballinoc, Rathmore.
16	John Morres, bart. James Dalton and Richard Bourke, gent., dem. John Cantwell, gent., ten. 27 March, 1680.	Manor of Lateragh; and lands of Lateragh, Kil- lamfuntion, Bridagh, Krockagh, Killbride alias Kilnevagrath, Toberdowne, Drum, Killvelcallis, Hackett's old Castle in Barnaine, and Farne- veigh, Castlequagh, Castleymagh, Bally- Phillip, Ballyduffe, Lisduffe.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
17	John Kendrick. Patrick Kerny, dem. Thomas Osborne, of Tyck- incor, Co. Waterford, Knt., ten. 17 May, 1680.	Newcastle, Killnecarricke, Klasscanny alias Classcanny, Graige alias Old Graige, Newtowne, Garrencasey, Rosmore, Killeagh, Dunycivit, and Dunighie.
18	Edward Hutchinson, gent. Thomas Batty, jun., gent., dem. John Perry, gent., ten. 13 July, 1681.	West part of Monksgrange, East part of Crattagh, East part of Knocklofty, Thomastowne, Bal- linity, alias Ballingly, Raheene near Ballin- donogh, Rathwaller, Ballybeg, Ballymoris, Knockin-Richards, in west part of Ardfinan, Lacken-M ^c Corish, and Carhue. Bar. Iffa and Offa.
19	William Bulkly, of Priory St. Helen's, Isle of Weight, esq. Stephen Moore, of Hore Abbey, esq., dem. Richard Moore, of Clon- mell, esq., ten. 22 March, 1681.	Same as Fine 16.
20	(No Vouchee.) Richard Hamerton, of the city of London, gent., and Robert Carleton, of Clonmell, gent., dem. Thomas Bright, of St. Edmundsbury, Suffolk, esq., ten. 5 July, 1682.	31A. profit. plant. meas., the west part of Shanra- heene; also East part of Kilcarroone. Bar. Iffa and Offa.
21	Connell Carran. James Butler, of Boyten- rath, dem. Pierce Butler, of Kil- velegher, esq., ten. 15 July, 1682.	Mobernane, Knockbritt, Carneriogh, Ballynoe Rathmore.
22	Andrew Lynn, of Ballynemony, in the Liberties of Waterford, esq. Stephen Moore, of Hore Abbey, esq., dem. Richard Moore, of Clon- mell, esq., ten. 16 April, 1683.	Ballylonychane, Ballydavid, Ballahoge, Mongane, Coursillagh, Templemichaell, Bleneceleene, Clon- more, Garrangibbon. bar. Slevardagh and Compsey.
23	John Meagher, gent. William Sutherby, dem. Anthony Percy, ten. 17 Sept., 1684.	Cloneene, Grange, Cloghmoyle, and Ballybegg.
24	Henry Fox, esq., and Lady Frances, his wife. Peter Sexton, gent., dem. Robert Minute, gent., and Thomas Minute, gent., ten. 4 June, 1694.	Anaghbegg alias Aghabegg, Ballyally.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
25	James Butler, of Drome, esq. Richard Daniel, gent., dem. Anthony Carroll, esq., ten. 27 March, 1695.	Gortmore, Knockanierke, Gortnabearnabuy, Gortnagrossoge, Garrenelly, Gorticogguil, Croghtacrin, Croghtameananagh, Gorticarrigine, Rathdroma, Rahmenageragh, the three gurtines near the mill, Gurtanaffe alias Gortnadaff, Arkeene, Knockancrye, Croghtaleaghta, Gortnaclohylehy and Crossogegurtileantuor in Drome. bar. Eliogarty and Ikerryn.
26	Rt. Hon. Robert, Earl of Roscomon. John Page, merchant, dem. Henry Stevens, of the city of Dublin, merchant, ten. 23 July, 1695.	Same as Fine 39.
27	John Butler, gent. John Walsh, gent., dem. James Hackett, gent., ten. 30 July, 1695.	Cooleonny, Templetuy, Lisnotubrid.
28	Samuel Barry. John Cardan, gent., dem. William Cardan, gent., ten. 27 February, 1695.	Ballycregane, Kilodiernane, Creech, Ballydlyn, Cleary. Bar. L. Ormond.
29	William Carroll, of Bleane, gent. Anthony Carroll and William Butler, esq., dem. Richard Carroll, gent., ten. 27 February, 1695.	Bleane, Shesiraghgarriboy, Aghnemedall, Varin, Cleghonora, Sallaghmoie, Knockanevane, Lahe-siraghriagh, Ballybegg, Knocklegane, Tuorhomy, Ballinelly, Ballinturtelly, Kilmore, Ballyan-raghane, Boltiny, Bellahow. Bar. Up. Ormond.
30	Edmond Walsh, of Carrigtahir, esq., and Lewis Walsh, gent., his son and heir. Henry Bradish, gent., dem. Peter Goodwin, of the city of Dublin, gent., ten. 17 April, 1697.	Same as Fine 42.
31	Philip Percivall, esq. Leonard Addison, of Cliffords Inne, gent., dem. John Holland, gent., ten. 10 July, 1697.	Ballynecloghy alias Stonestowne, Marshalls-towne, Loghane, Monisagh, Moigh alias Moighderowen, Brownestowne, Clonnerosse, Fanos, Ballypherris, alias Peirstowne, Kilmore, Anvealla alias Ballagh, Kilmore, Keappaghbrownny, Skehanabegg, Keppaghanfunna, Poulnelea.
32	John flannagan, of the city of Dublin, butcher, son and heir of Thadeus flannagan, of the city of Dublin. John Damer, gent., dem. Joseph Damer, gent., ten. 29 Decr., 1697.	Site, circuit and precinct of the late dissolved abbey of St. Francis, near the city of Cashel, with appurtenances. bar. Middlethird.
33	Hon. Theobald, Ld. Baron of Caher. Galfrid Mandevile, gent., dem. Ambrose Mandevile, esq., ten. 21 February, 1697.	Same as Fine 50.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
34	Rt. Hon. Charles, Earl of Corke and Burlington. Roger Power, esq., dem. James Salmon, gent., ten. 18 April, 1698.	Rectory of Rathronan and Killgrant, with glebe, rectory and vicarage of Ardfinane, with glebe, rectorial tithes of Rochestowne, parcel of the Commandery of Any; Rectory of Carrick, with glebe, parcel of St. Katharin, in Co. Waterford; messuage in Carrick, appertaining to the Commandery of Any; Garrentubberbegg, alias Ballintubberbegg, cont. 99A., with the tithes. Bar. Iffa and Offa. Tithes of the Parishes of Ballingarry, Killbarrane alias Rathbarrane, and Uskagh, parcel of the Commandery of Any. Bar. L. Ormond. Parish of M[]lestowne alias Mocklens-towne, tithes of Rathronane and Killgrant; also Castletough and Fagha, part of Castletough, Pallas alias Pallace, Boyl[]Brooliglass, Crenagh, Lisseene, Castletownearra, and Cataractas, and also the manor Court of Castletowne Arra. Bar. Owna and Arra.
35	John Parker, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife. William Jones, gent., dem. Nicholas Toler, gent., ten. 12 August, 1698.	Same as Fine 49.
36	John ffanning, esq., and William ffanning. William Lane, gent., dem. Mathew Jacob, gent., ten. 10 September, 1698.	Same as Fine 55.
37	Anthony Cope, Dean of Abby-boyle, and Elizabeth, his wife. Michael Duane, gent., dem. William Carden, gent., ten. 8 March, 1698.	Killard. Bar. L. Ormond.
38	Samuel Greene, of Killahy, esq., and Jane, his wife, Ellin Corn-wall, of Killoganny, widow, Robert Powell, of Claycorka, gent., and Mary, his wife, Joseph Wright, of Kappagaran, gent., and Sarah, his wife, Joseph Wilkes, of Crohan, gent., and Margaret, his wife. John Underhay, gent., dem. Nicholas Toler, of Graige, gent., ten. 1 April, 1699.	Cleycorka, alias Cleycroke. Bar. L. Ormond.
39	Laurence Esmond of Hunting-ton, alias Clonegall, Co. Car-low, bart. Oliver Weston, gent., dem. Robert Doyne, esq., Chief Baron of the King's Court of Exchequer, and Mathew fford, of Coolegreny, Co. Wex-ford, esq., ten. 11 May, 1699.	Same as Fine 62.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
40	William Herbert, gent., and Lucy, his wife, Francis Stephens, gent., and Jane, his wife, George Hart, gent., and Lucy, his wife. William Waller, gent., and Christopher Perkins, gent., dem. Thomas Carpenter, gent., and Jeremy Mount, gent., ten. 3 July, 1699.	Same as Fine 61.
41	Henry Fox, esq. John Minnitt, gent., dem. Richard Powell, gent., ten. 18 November, 1699.	Knigh, Knockinbuoly, Lackymore, Lisduffe.
42	Robert Stewart, esq., and Alice, his wife. James Quinne, gent., dem. Robert Craige, gent., ten. 20 February, 1699.	Cappagh, Crossayle, Gortnagrehy, Ballaghane, Carrow, Oldwood, Comekerry, Laskybegg commonly called Drombrack, Ballanakelly, Commonline, Gortnadrum, Oldcastle, Glanahow alias Comitmore, Glanglafee, Sandbane alias Shannyclonne, Corrymarky, and Leogh.
43	Rt. Hon. Pierce L ^d Visc. Ikerrin. Richard Synnot, gent., dem. Rt. Hon. William Earl of Inchiquin, William L ^d Visc. Mountjoy, and John Dillon, Knt., ten. 15 May, 1700.	Same as Fine 72.
44	Wornell Hunt, of the city of Dublin, gent. John James, gent., dem. Anderson Saunders, of the city of Dublin, esq., ten. 18 June, 1700.	Carney. Bar. []. See Fine 69.
45	Charles Blount. John Damer, gent., dem. Joseph Damer, of the city of Dublin, gent., ten. 5 February, 1700.	West part of Curraghanna, East part of Lismakhue, Middle part of Coolevungy, Lismakhue, Killoquirke, Dromomarkye, Coolevungy, Lismakhue, Coolevungy, Ballydavid, Gortinarigge, part of Keile, Lisnagaule.
46	James Harrison, esq. Eugene Young, gent., dem. John Buckworth, esq., and Anthony Carroll, esq., ten. 20 February, 1700.	CloghJordan, Garrane, Gortnabeast, Loughane, Knockaneacree, Ballyfeana. Bar. L. Ormond.
47	(No vouchee). James Harrison, esq., dem. Benjamin Burton, of the city of Dublin, Alderman, and Arthur Bush, of the same, esq., ten. 28 March, 1701.	Manor of Lissenisky; lands of Lissenisky, Shesereghcree, Coulderry, Lackanevorney, Crinbeagh, Gurtinenetomery, Ballinrigh, Ballynoe, Manunbegg, Bawnedonemoyne, Cappagh, Cnockaneglasse, Kiltirehomy, Garryclogher, Erenagh, Ballygowen, Coolebane, Gortneclehie, Lisseduffe, Gurtinerechie, Garryhard, Loghanelesy, Loghaneleseragh, Drumunure, Corvantane.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
48	Wornell Hunt, gent. Robert Westberry, of the city of Dublin, gent., dem. Anderson Saunders, esq., ten. 10 May, 1701.	Garranmore, Ballycarnie, and Knockoolode. See Fine 77.
49	George Mathew, of Thomastowne, (Co. Tip.), esq., and Elizabeth, his wife. John Butler of Whites- court, Co. Kilkenny, esq., dem. George Mathew, sen., of Thurles, esq., and Thomas Mathew of the same, esq., ten. 13 October 1701.	Same as Fine 79.
50	Nicholas Purcell, of Luoghmoë, esq. Thomas Duane, gent., dem. John Marshall, of Clon- mell, gent., and John White, of Cappagh, esq., ten. 4 November, 1702.	Same as Fine 87.
51	Erasmus Smith, of Hamerton, Huntingdonshire, esq. John Damer, gent., dem. John Pyke of Woodings- towne, esq., ten. 23 December, 1702.	Same as Fine 88.
52	Thomas Jones, of the city of Dublin, esq., John Offly, esq., and Edmund Penteny, gent. dem. Wentworth Harman, of the city of Dublin, esq., and John Usher of the Same, esq., ten. 11 November, 1703.	Ashonbohy, Clonybryan, Carrowkeele, Garralis, Boherlody, Ballygibbon, Ballyhavenny, Fedan- begg, Knockantibryan, Ballysida, Lisgaruffe, Boherlody, Killeene, Ballycaradoge, Knockane, Seskinbeg, Glanfinlane, Graige, Curraghtemple.
53	Peter Dalton, gent., and Mar- garet Dalton, alias Wogan, his wife, John Kenedy, gent., dem. Daniel O'Meara, esq., Anthony Carroll, esq., Hen. Oxburgh, esq., and Nicholas Wogan, esq., ten. 10 March, 1703.	Same as Fine 98.
54	George Warter Story, clerk, and Catherine, his wife. John Marshall, gent., dem. John White, of Cappagh, esq., ten. 9 May, 1704.	Same as Fine 93.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
55	John Hackett, gent. Thomas Millet, gent., dem. Mathew Jacob, gent., ten. 20 July, 1704.	Same as Fine 101.
56	Robert Maude, bart. Ed. Schuldham, gent., dem. Silvester Cross, esq., ten. 13 June, 1705.	Same as Fine 108.
57	(No vouchee). Arthur Upton, esq., and Ed. Stafford, of Port- glanone, Co. Antrim, esq., dem. Morrough L ^d Visc. Bles- sington, and Rt. Hon. James L ^d Visc. Strabane, and Earl of Abercorn, ten. 29 June, 1705.	Same as Fine 109
58	Rt. Hon. Hester Finch, widow of Hon. Symon Finch, late of Kilcolman, esq., deceased, and William Finch, sen., of Slyse, Hertfordshire, esq., and Alice, his wife, and William Finch, jun., of the same, gent. Thomas Moore, of Tulla- more, King's Co., esq., dem. Pierce Nugent, of Durrow, King's Co., esq., and Dudley Moore, of Gur- teenakelly, gent., ten. 28 August, 1705.	Same as Fine 112.
59	Joseph Nicholson, gent., William Nicholson, and Elizabeth Nicholson, widow. Godfrey Greene, of Moores- towne, gent., dem. Phanael Cooke, of Clono- michan, gent., ten. 4 January, 1705.	Same as Fine 111.
60	James Grace, of Cassestowne, esq., Elizabeth, his wife, and Oliver Grace, his son and heir. Thomas Cleare, gent., dem. John Blunden, esq., ten. 9 January, 1705.	Same as Fine 113.
61	Gamaliel Fitzgerald, of Clogh- ready, gent. Francis Hely, of the City of Dublin, gent., dem. John Jones, of the City of Dublin, gent., ten. 13 May, 1706.	Same as Fine 115.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
62	Rt. Hon. Thomas L ^d Baron of Cahir. John Power, gent., dem. Redmond Everard, bart., ten. 19 October, 1706.	Manor of Castlegrace. Bar. Iffa and Offa. See Fine 120.
63	Rt. Hon. Thomas L ^d Baron of Cahir. John Power, of Clonmell, gent., dem. Patrick Walsh, gent., ten. 19 October, 1706.	Same as Fine 123.
64	John Dunsterville, and Charles Dunsterville, gent. John Power, gent., dem. Phaniel Cooke, ten. 19 October, 1706.	Poynstowne. Bar. Slevardagh and Cymsonagh. See Fine 121.
65	Barnaby Purcell, of Kilmurry, Co. Kilkenny, gent., and Ellen, his wife. John Power, gent., dem. Robert Hackett, gent., ten. 23 April, 1707.	Rossestowne alias Rosstowne, Gortimaderry, Gortituor. Bar. Eliogurty and Ikerrin. See Fine 131.
66	John Earl of Anglesey. John Savage, gent., dem. Charles Ward, Esq., and Stephen Ludlow, Esq., ten. 11 July, 1707.	Cloghfadagh, Carragowne, Oldcourt, Shrough, Killcoran, Ballyhogane, Granislane alias Boherleagh, Kilcomon, Ballywindry, Kilfada, Cloleogh, Ballygrasty alias Kilmore, Fanlagh, Priorland, Priorlene, Sessaraghkeele, Broader, Broder, Ballinderry, Carrogowne, Brockagh alias Ballinderry, Killcogh.
67	Robert Cole, esq. Henry Pritie, esq., dem. Stephen Ludlow, of the city of Dublin, esq., ten. 15 April, 1708.	Knockaneglass, Ballymackea, East part of Cappagh, Tome alias Killgurteene, and Pallice, Clockane, Ballyconally, Garryclora, Knockaneclaryboard, Clonleagh, Coolederry, Curragheene, Cappagh west, Derrykenidy alias Fulleene, Ballyarny alias Ballyaghny, Knocksequinn.
68	John Perry, of Woodroffe, esq., <i>who calls</i> Thomas Osborne, of Tikincorr, co. Waterford, knt., Nicholas Osborne, sen., of Carrick, esq., and Nichs. Osborne, jun., of the same, gent. John James, gent., dem. John Minchin, of Shanggarry, gent., ten. 20 July, 1708.	Same as Fine 134.
69	Dennis Connor, gent. James Otway, gent., dem. Thomas Toler, esq., ten. 26 September, 1708.	Lisseene, Ballynemony, Kilkerry. Bar. Up. Ormond.
70	Howlett Parker, gent. John Power, gent., dem. John Maghlin, gent., ten. 6 December, 1708.	Bellarushin, Curraghtemple, Ballygowre, Coom, Ballymoylin, and Pallisbegg, containeing Cooneflioman, Garrnenekilly, and Garryenanus. Bar. Owny and Arra. See Fine 135.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
71	Daniel Gahan, knt. John Lucas, gent., dem. George Burditt, of Lis- malin, gent., and Robert Long, of Graistowne, gent., ten. 8 March, 1708.	Same as Fine 142.
72	Pierce Sause, gent., Margaret Sause, widow, Richard Daniel, and Joan, his wife, Walter Welsh, and Catherine, his wife. William Power, gent., dem. Mathew Jacob, gent., ten. 29 April, 1709.	Same as Fine 146.
73	Anthony Savage, gent., and Margaret, his wife. Richard Perry, gent., dem. Andrew Roe, gent., ten. 10 May, 1709.	Same as Fine 152.
74	Charles Carroll and Abigail, his wife. John Power, gent., dem. Robert Palmer, of the city of Limerick, mer- chant, ten. 26 May, 1709.	Same as Fine 148.
75	George Thorold, knt. and bart. Laurence Marshall, gent., dem. John Marshall, gent., ten. 6 October, 1709.	Same as Fine 156.
76	Henry Prittie, of Killboy, esq. John Power, gent., dem. James Harrison, of CloghJordan, esq., and Humphry Minchin, of Ballynekill, esq., ten. 22 October, 1709.	Same as Fine 157.
77	Thomas Osborne, knt., Nicholas Osborne, sen., esq., and Nicholas Osborne, jun., esq. John White, dem. Edward Cooke, gent., and Thomas Deane, gent., ten. 5 November, 1709.	Same as Fine 141.
78	Charles Ryan, gent., and Ellen Ryan, alias Butler, his wife, and Pierce Butler, gent. Edmund Garvey, gent., dem. Tobias Purcell, of Dun- cannon, Co. Wexford, esq., ten. 9 November, 1709.	Same as Fine 158.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
79	Roger ffogerty, of Fithmone, esq., <i>who calls</i> Cornelius ffogerty, of the same, gent. Thomas Armstrong, gent., dem. Thad. ffogerty, of Garrane, gent., ten. 8 March, 1709.	Same as Fine 164.
80	Frederick Porter, of the City of Dublin, esq. Francis Andrews, of the City of Dublin, gent., dem. Hon. James McCartney, esq., one of the Justices of the Queen's Bench, and Marmaduke Cog- hill, esq., Doctor of laws, ten. 24 March, 1709.	Same as Fine 159.
81	Henry O'Brien, of Stonehall, Co. Clare, esq. John Power, dem. John ffoorde, of the City of Limerick, esq., ten. 2 April, 1711.	Same as Fine 176.
82	Anthony Savage, gent., and Margaret, his wife. Joseph Vize, gent., dem. John Pyke, esq., ten. 28 May, 1711.	Same as Fine 179.
83	Laurence Esmond, bart. Richard Dalton, dem. Cesar Colclough, esq., ten. 18 October, 1711.	Same as Fine 143.
84	John Hill, esq., and Anne, his wife. James Dawson, of Bally- necourty, esq., dem. John Newell, of Curragh- killbrenagh, Co. Lim- erick, esq., ten. 16 December, 1711.	Same as Fine 184.
85	John Hall, of Culliagh, gent. William Persons, bart., dem. Thomas Hemsworth, of Birr, King's Co., clerk, ten. 5 January, 1711.	Same as Fine 189.
86	Edward Roch, sen., of Ballynard, gent., Edward Roch, junior, of Ballyvadlea, gent., Michael Kearney, of Killosty, gent., and Henry Meagh, of Bally- heale, Co. Kilkenny, gent. Thomas Batty, esq., dem. Thomas Weekes, gent., ten. 18 January, 1711.	Same as Fine 187.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
87	Charles Carroll, gent. Thomas Weekes, gent., dem. William Connor, gent., ten. 21 January, 1711.	Same as Fine 188.
88	Charles Alcocke, esq., <i>who calls</i> Emanuel Moore, bart., and Lady Catherine, his wife. Hercules Beere, dem. Edward Southwell, esq., and William Percivale, clerk, ten. 5 September, 1712.	Same as Fine 202.
89	Stephen Moore, of Barne, esq. John Power, gent., dem. John Pyke, of Woodings- towne, esq., and Thomas Batty, of Clonmell, esq., ten. 30 September, 1712.	Same as Fine 198.
90	Robert Hamerton, esq., Sarah, his wife, Richard Hamerton, gent., Thomas Bolton, clk., Richard Bolton, gent., and Charles Hamerton, gent. Lawrence Marshall, of Clonmell, gent., dem. John Marshall, of Clon- mell, gent., ten. 18 October, 1712.	Same as Fine 199.
91	Kingsmill Pennefather, esq., and Elizabeth, his wife. Thomas Armstrong, gent., dem. Richard Leake, clk., and Richard Buckworth, esq., ten. 27 October, 1712.	Same as Fine 206.
92	John Walshe, gent., and David Walshe, gent. John Power, gent., dem. Stephen Moore, esq., ten. 28 October, 1712.	Ballynvahen, Ballyvillick, Ballynemony, Ballyn- vohir, Ballybehane, Rathkivan.
93	John Cleare, of Newbarne, gent. Richard Southwell, of Clounerala, Co. Clare, esq., dem. George Rose, of Limerick, gent., ten. 8 November, 1712.	188A. 2r. 27p. in Ballyvone. Bar. Owny and Arra. See Fine 197.
94	William Nicholson. Hercules Beere, gent., dem. Joseph francklyn, of the city of Cork, alderman, ten. 30 March, 1713 (? 1714).	Same as Fine 222.

RECOVERIES, &c.—*continued.*

	Parties' Names and Date.	Premises.
95	John Dunsterville, gent., <i>who calls</i> Charles Dunsterville, gent. William Latham, esq., dem. Phaniel Cooke, esq., ten. 9 June, 1713.	Same as Fine 210.
96	Thomas Butler, gent. Thomas Shepherd, esq., dem. William Hayden, gent., ten. 7 November, 1713.	Same as Fine 219.
97	James Topham, esq. William Westbery, gent., dem. Thomas Westby, clk., ten. 5 April, 1714.	Same as Fine 217.
98	John Lee, of the city of Lime- rick, blacksmith. John Shaw, gent., dem. William Clarke, gent., ten. 9 April, 1714.	Same as Fine 224.
99	Godfrey Boate, esq. Guy Moore, esq., dem. Stephen Moore, esq., ten. 1st September, 1714.	Clonekenny, Lisduffe, and Ballinemo alias Ballinamore, Carrownmeate, Gurtneacroshy, Killkenny alias Kilkelly, Lissmoher, and part of Oldcastle. Bar. Ikerrin.
100	Oliver Latham, esq., and John Latham, gent. William Power, gent., dem. Phaniel Cooke, esq., and Samuel Jacob, gent., ten. 23 July, 1715.	Same as Fine 232.

APPENDIX, No. 4.

Resolution of Dean and Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral,
Dublin, 6th November, 1871.

"Resolved,—That all the Deeds and other legal documents at present in the custody of the Dean and Chapter, be transferred to the Public Record Department of the Rolls Court, and that Dr. S. Ferguson be requested to take charge of the same, with the understanding that members of Chapter be free to inspect the same at any time without fee."

APPENDIX, No. 5.

PERMISSION by the Right Honorable the MASTER of the ROLLS for Deposit in PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE of IRELAND, of the Deeds and Documents, subject to the regulations hereinafter mentioned.

Whereas the late dissolved Corporation of the Dean and Chapter of Christ's Church Cathedral, Dublin, were possessed of certain Deeds and Documents, some portions of which have been handed over to the Church Temporalities Commissioners, pursuant to the provisions of the Irish Church Act, 1869, and other portions thereof, which, from their bulk, cannot be conveniently so handed over, remain in the custody of the said Dean and of the present Incumbents of the Benefices formerly constituting the said Chapter; and whereas it is the wish of the said Dean and Incumbents, with the consent and approval of the said Church Commissioners and Church Body of Ireland, to deposit the said last mentioned Deeds and Documents in the Public Record Office of Ireland, and said Commissioners and Church Body have assented thereto, and whereas I am of opinion that the said last mentioned Deeds and Documents are fit to be so deposited within the meaning of the 16th sec. of the Public Records (Ireland) Act, 1867. Now I, the Right Honorable Edward Sullivan, Master of the Rolls in Ireland, do hereby permit the said several last mentioned Deeds and Documents, being the Deeds and Documents set forth in the first Schedule hereto, to be deposited in the said Public Record Office of Ireland, subject to the regulations concerning the same in the second Schedule hereto.

Dated at the Rolls Chamber, Dublin,
this 17th day of January, 1872.

(Signed)

EDWARD SULLIVAN, *M.R.*
Master of the Rolls.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

- No. 1. Instruments purporting to be duplicates of Leases (in Leather Pouches) Pouches 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23.
- „ 2. Do. in do.
Pouch labelled “Dean,” Nos. 1-7
„ „ “Vicar,” 1-6
„ „ “Chancellor,” 1 and 2
„ „ “Precentor and Preb., St. Michan,” 1 and 2
„ „ “Preb., St. John, Treasurer.”
- „ 3. Do. in sacks, 6 sacks.
- „ 4. Do., originals of Numbered Copies in N. Registrum, Deeds, &c., 3 sacks.

APPENDIX, No. 6.

Circular to District Registrars of Court of Probate.

(Copy.)

Public Record Office of Ireland,
16th May, 1872.

SIR,—I am instructed to inform you that the Right Honorable the Master of the Rolls has issued his Warrant, copy inclosed, for the removal of the Testamentary Documents in your custody. His Honor

has been pleased to authorize the Deputy Keeper to leave the Warrant unexecuted for the present, so far as regards a portion of the Will and Grant Books.

The Deputy Keeper will superintend the preparation of the collection for removal, and the removal will be effected by the servants of this office.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed), J. T. GILBERT, Secretary.

District Registrar at _____.

APPENDIX, No. 7.

Extract from Correspondence of Deputy Keeper with Secretary of Church Temporalities Commissioners, and Reply.

Imperial Hotel, Cork,
5th August, 1872.

SIR,—Being engaged here in the removal of the provincial Records, I have visited the repository at Cloyne, where some of those destined for your office (32, 33 Vic., c. 42, s. 47) still remain. Having the public servants and means of transport on the spot, I offer, if the Church Commissioners approve, to take charge of those as well as of the other Records at Cloyne, and have all brought together to Dublin, where those pertaining to your custody will be handed over.

This course seems the more expedient, because the late Registrar (Rev. Wm. Rogers) is recently deceased, and no Registrar having been appointed in his room, the Records are at present in the irregular custody of Mr. George Dibbs.

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(Copy.)

Irish Church Temporalities Commission,
24, Upper Merrion-street, Dublin,
August 9th, 1872.

Cloyne Registry.

SIR,—I am directed by the Commissioners of Church Temporalities in Ireland to acknowledge the receipt of your communication dated the 5th instant, and to state that they are much obliged to you for the offer of your services, and will be glad to avail themselves of them.

APPENDIX, No. 8.

Court of Chancery,
The 10th day of March, 1870.

Lord Chancellor.

It is this day ordered by the Right Honorable the Lord Chancellor of Ireland that in all cases in which the Right Honorable Edward Litton, late one of the Masters of the Court of Chancery, was appointed Committee of the estate of any lunatic, or guardian of the fortune of any minor or minors, William Brooke, esquire, one of the surviving Masters, be and he is hereby appointed such committee or guardian in all such cases in the place and stead of the said Edward Litton.

And it is further ordered that all causes and matters which stood referred to the said Edward Litton, be and the same are hereby distributively

referred to and apportioned between the said William Brooke, Jeremiah John Murphy, and Gerald Fitzgibbon, esquires, (the other Masters of the Court) respectively, the apportionment to be made according to such arrangement and distribution of said several causes and matters as the said three last named Masters shall agree upon ; and that they do proceed with all convenient despatch to make such arrangement and distribution accordingly, and do thereupon post up lists in their respective offices of the causes and matters so transferred to each ; and that all Deeds, Documents, and Muniments which were in the possession of the said Edward Litton, belonging to or in any way concerning such several causes and matters shall be distributively handed over to the said William Brooke, Jeremiah John Murphy, and Gerald Fitzgibbon respectively, according to the arrangement and distribution of the aforesaid causes and matters so to be made by them, and in connexion with each such cause and matter, so far as same may be practicable.

And it is further ordered that Richard Weld Litton, esquire, the Examiner, John Walsh, esquire, the Assistant Clerk, and Joseph Weld, esquire, Registrar to the said Edward Litton, be severally Assistants to the said remaining Masters in making the distributions and transfers, and handing over the Deeds, Documents, and Muniments in and by this Order directed to be made.

(Signed), THOMAS O'HAGAN, C.

W. Peters Smith, A.R.

APPENDIX No. 9.

PUBLICATION OF NATIONAL MANUSCRIPTS.

1. LETTER from the Right Honorable the MASTER of the ROLLS in Ireland to J. T. GILBERT, esq.

Rolls Chamber, Four Courts,
11th February, 1873.

MY DEAR MR. GILBERT,—It is now more than twelve months since the work of producing the Irish National Manuscripts by the process of photozincography has been sanctioned, and since the first list of such manuscripts as were selected for the purpose has been approved of. The appearance of those facsimiles, as you are well aware, is looked forward to with much interest both in this country and elsewhere. I would wish that you would be good enough to inform me what progress has been made with the work, and within what time the first volume may be expected.

Yours most faithfully,

EDWARD SULLIVAN, M.R.

J. T. Gilbert, esq., secretary,
Public Record Office.

2. LETTER from J. T. GILBERT, esq., to the Right Honorable the MASTER of the ROLLS in Ireland.

Public Record Office of Ireland,
24th February, 1873.

SIR,—The task intrusted to me of aggregating and editing, under your Honor's direction, and by authority of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, a series of specimens of the National MSS. of Ireland, is more arduous than might have been supposed.

The manuscripts, extending over many centuries, are in various languages and in different custodies in England and Ireland. As a preliminary step it was deemed requisite that all accessible collections should be examined by me, and every document separately considered in detail, not only with reference to historic and caligraphic interests, but likewise as to suitability for effective reproduction in facsimile by photozincography. These examinations were rendered more laborious by the circumstance that the majority of the collections are unprovided with satisfactory catalogues, either published or in manuscript, and some are still kept under antiquated regulations.

The want of a comprehensive and reliable Irish Palæographic series has been long felt—more especially as Ireland, though noted for letters in early times, is, perhaps, the only European country for which a publication of this nature is not already extant. Such a series would be expected to present characteristic specimens of the documents which have come down from each of the classes who in past ages constituted the population of Ireland, or exercised important influence in her affairs; together with facsimiles of writings connected with personages or transactions of historic importance. These features will, so far as the limits permit, be combined in the present publication.

The production of the facsimiles by the photozincographic process has been, with authority of the First Commissioner of Works, placed under Major-General Sir Henry James, Director of the Ordnance Survey of Great Britain and Ireland, by whom the specimens of the National MSS. of England and Scotland were executed at the Ordnance Office, Southampton.

The custody of the documents sent to the Ordnance Office for the Irish series, and the certification of the photozincographic plates were, with the sanction of Lord Romilly, committed to W. Basevi Sanders, esq., Assistant Keeper of the Public Records in England, who performed similar duties in connexion with the English and Scotch publications. Lord Romilly was also good enough to authorize the necessary arrangements with respect to documents in the Public Record Office, London, and Sir T. D. Hardy afforded me, as on former occasions, valuable assistance and advice.

Considerable progress has been made in the execution of the specimens for the early portion of the series, opening with the oldest extant remnants of writing in Ireland, and presenting faithful reproductions of that early Irish style in which peculiar conception and minute art-ornamentation are to be found combined with caligraphy delicate, graceful, and precise.

This section of the work will at length render generally available the caligraphic models which have long been desired by those interested in schools of art and design.

Among the manuscripts extending to the close of the twelfth century,

of which representations will appear in the first volume, I may mention the following :—

The manuscript preserved in the Domhnach Airgid—considered by Dr. Petrie to be that presented by St. Patrick to St. Mac Carthen when he placed him over the See of Clogher.

Latin Gospels in the Irish character of a version anterior to that of St. Jerome.

The Cathach, or battle psalter—a dispute connected with which is recorded to have been one of the causes which remotely led to the establishment of the celebrated monastery at Iona by St. Columba or Colum Cille. Of this heir-loom in the O'Donel family, Count de Montalembert observed :—" Il a échappé comme par miracle aux dévastations dont l'Irlande a été victime, et il subsiste encore pour la plus grande joie des patriotes érudits de l'Irlande."

The Book of Dairmagh, or Durrow, ascribed to the hand of St. Columba.

The Book of Kells, pronounced by Westwood to be "unquestionably the most elaborately executed manuscript of so early a date now in existence."

The Book of Dimma Mac Nathi, formerly preserved at Roscrea.

The Book of Moling, Bishop of Ferns in the seventh century.

The Book of Mac Regol—once the property of the Venerable Bede, and now in the Bodleian—regarded as one of the most precious literary monuments in England.

The Canon Phadruig, or Book of Armagh, transcribed in the ninth century, containing an entry made in presence of King Brian Borumha, and believed to be the volume which St. Bernard mentions to have been regarded in his time as one of the title-deeds to the primacy.

The Manuscript of Melbrigid Mac Durnan, presented by Athelstan to Canterbury, and still preserved in the library of that See.

Liber Hymnorum—one of the most ancient hymnals now surviving in Europe.

Leabhar na h-Uidhri—transcribed towards the close of the eleventh century from old Irish writings now lost.

Codex Melbrigid, written A.D. 1138 in Ulster by Melbrigid h-Ua Maeluanaigh, deposited for a time in the Bibliothèque du Roy, Paris, and subsequently acquired by Harley, Earl of Oxford, of whose fine MSS. it was considered one of the most elegant and accurate.

The ancient Irish Gospels in the Harleian collection of the same era with the Codex Melbrigid.

The work of Tighernach—one of the earliest of the annalists of Northern Europe.

The Irish Gospels of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and the ancient Irish missal preserved there with its satchel.

The Irish Psalters which were partly consumed in the Cottonian fire.

Confession or autobiography of St. Patrick, formerly in the collection of Bishop Fell of Oxford.

The Book of Leinster and the MS. styled "Saltair na Rann," compiled in the twelfth century from old Irish writings.

The Irish Charters and Land grants entered in the Book of Kells.

Charters from Dermot Mac Murragh, King of Leinster, and Donall O'Brien, King of Limerick.

Charter with seal of FitzGislebert, surnamed "Strongbow."

Dublin Charter with seal of Henry II.—the first Anglo-Norman Royal Charter in connexion with Ireland.

Roll of names of settlers in Dublin circa A.D. 1172—the earliest known document of this class in Ireland.

The Charter from John, "lord of Ireland," to the citizens of Dublin, A.D. 1192.

The interest attached to this undertaking was practically demonstrated by the facilities accorded to me in connexion with documents under their control by the Archbishop of Canterbury and Archbishop Trench of Dublin, the Dukes of Devonshire and Leinster, the Marquis of Ormonde, the Earl of Granard, Viscount Gormanstown, Lord Talbot de Malahide, Sir Richard O'Donel, bart., Right Hon. F. P. Dunne, O'Connor Don, M.P., A. Mac Murragh Kavanagh, esq., M.P., E. P. Shirley, esq., the Trustees of the British Museum, of the Bodleian and of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, Trinity College, Dublin, Maynooth College, and Marsh's Library, the Royal Irish Academy, the Corporations of Dublin and Kilkenny, the Dean of St. Patrick's, Dublin, the Ulster King of Arms, J. M. Kennedy, esq., and Richard Caulfield, LL.D.

It is to be hoped that other owners or custodians of important documents connected with Ireland, not hitherto available, will, in the same enlightened and liberal spirit, communicate them for this work, and so aid to render as complete as possible an undertaking designed for public use and instruction.

I need not here enter upon the many and intricate details which combine to render the progress of works of this exceptional class necessarily slow, both as to the facsimiles and the illustrative matter to be printed in connexion with them. Through the interest taken in it by your Honor, as Keeper of the Public Records in Ireland, many impediments have been removed, and I trust that the first part will be published in the course of the present year.

I remain, your Honor's obedient servant,

J. T. GILBERT.

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